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The Report, presented by the Assistant Secretary, Mr. J. W. BRADLEY, stated :—

The number of members at the end of 1913 was 232. By additions and losses during 1914 to date this total was increased to the present total of 235. Eleven new members have been added during the year, and the Society has lost by death four members—namely, Colonel T. B. Shaw-Hellier, Mr. W. C. T. Mynors, Mr. Benjamin Whitehouse, and Mr. W. C. Harwell Allen; and, by withdrawal, four members—namely, Mr. W. Essington Hughes, Mr. Robert Harcourt, M.P., Mr. James Lovatt, and Mr. John Lowry.

The accounts of the William Salt Archæological Society showed a balance in the bank of £188 6s. 10d., as against £36 10s. 5d. at the beginning of the year, an increase of £151 16s. 5d. The subscriptions received (£256 14s. 6d.) were £56 14s. more than the previous year. The sales of back volumes (£21 16s. 2d.) had brought in

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The Report, presented by the Assistant Secretary, Mr. J. W. BRADLEY, stated:—

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practically the same amount. The arrears of subscriptions at the 30th of September, 1914, amounted to £65 2s.

The report of the Editorial Committee stated :—

The volume for 1914 is with the printers. It will contain the latter half of Chetwynd's History of the Pirehill Hundred, edited by the Rev. F. Parker, and a valuable paper by the Hon. Secretary (Mr. J. C. Wedgwood, M.P.) on the Harcourt Family. It is proposed that the volume for 1915 shall contain Mr. Landor's work on "The Staffordshire Incumbents from 1500 to 1680, with notes on all the chantries, and a map showing the boundaries of the Staffordshire parishes as they were formed in Elizabethan times, and also giving the populations of the same within the aforementioned period, together with the augmentations during the Commonwealth." It will also contain a paper by Mr. Charles Bridgeman dealing with certain North Staffordshire manors, and the customary review of the Public Record Publications.

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The report was then adopted.

The question of ancient monuments was raised by Mr. ALEX. SCRIVENER, who pointed out that two years ago the preparation of a list of the ancient monuments known to exist in the county was taken up by this Society and the North Stafford Field Club. The list of such monuments which was prepared included a wayside cross near Werrington. He should like to know if the Salt Archæological Society could help in preserving that cross. It was a shaft four or five feet high, and two or three steps, and it was on the side of an old pack-horse lane at Washerwall. The Vicar of Werrington had it in his mind to take it down and re-erect it in the new churchyard about three-quarters of a mile away. The

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reverend gentleman said he certainly would not do it if there was any objection. It had been suggested that he (Mr. Scrivener) should see the Cheadle District Council with respect to its preservation, and he proposed to act upon the suggestion. If he could get some expression of opinion on the matter from that Society, perhaps it would assist him in his effort to get the Cheadle District Council to take the proper care of the cross.

Mr. J. T. Homer was afraid this was a matter which did not come within the scope of the Society.

The Rev. W. Beresford thought the Society should strengthen the hands of the Field Club. It was important that these old crosses should not be removed, because he believed it would be proved that they showed them the site of where once stood a Royal residence. He hoped they would induce Mr. Scrivener to do all he could to prevent the cross being removed from its present site.

On the motion of Mr. Beresford, it was resolved that, in the opinion of the Society, the cross in the Werrington district should be preserved, and not be removed from its present site.

Mr. J. T. Homer was thanked for undertaking the secretarial duties during the absence of Mr. J. C. Wedgwood. In reply, he said that the Hon. Secretary had been engaged in very important work at the front, and was at the siege of Antwerp.

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30th, 1914.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Balance at Bank, Sept. 30th, 1913	34	6	5			
,, Balance in Hand, Sept. 30th, 1913	2	4	0			
				36	10	5
,, Subscriptions				256	14	6
,, Sales				21	16	2
				£315	1	1

Number of Members Sept. 30th, 1913		232
,, ,, ,, died since	4	
,, ,, ,, withdrawn since	4	
		8
		224
,, ,, ,, added during year		11
		235

1913.		*Payments.*		£	s.	d.
Nov.	13.	By J. W. Bradley	Honorarium	7	10	0
		,, W. J. Dean	Honorarium	7	10	0
		,, W. J. Dean	Petty Cash	2	1	10
1914.						
Jan.	26.	,, Harrison & Son		35	4	7
		,, T. Pape		4	18	0
,,	27.	,, Arden Press		68	14	6
Sept.	30.	,, Bank Charges		0	15	4
		,, Balance at Bank		188	6	10
				£315	1	1

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(Signed) WILLIAM MORGAN,
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PREFACE

THIS volume is in the main an attempt to throw fresh light upon the ecclesiastical history of Staffordshire in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, and is practically a supplement to the existing county histories.

The information it contains has been chiefly obtained and condensed from hitherto unpublished and contemporary manuscripts, but some use has been made of the State Papers and other similar documents which have already been printed. Books dealing with the university degrees of the clergy and the lives of the more noted among them have also been used to a limited extent, and full references thereto are given so as to facilitate the task of any future parochial historian. The list of Edwardian Church Ornaments in each parish has been made as complete as possible, although this has involved reprinting the partial lists already given in *S.H.C.*, vi, n.s., part i.

Perhaps some apology may be needed for the Introduction, which is in effect only an analysis and restatement of the facts necessarily scattered throughout the rest of the book. It seemed, however, desirable that this should be done, in order to render the work more generally useful. A similar desire has led to the modernisation of the uncouth old spelling in most cases, though a few typical quotations are left unaltered.

Staffordshire readers who are not specially interested in ecclesiastical matters may like to see the particulars of the former population of their parish and county, or may find some information about the character, attainments, or income of some clerical ancestor or relation which has hitherto escaped them.

It is hoped that any reader who discovers a mistake, or who can add to those lists of incumbents that are still defective, will communicate with the author, in order that the correction or addition may be made in the copy placed in the Salt Library for the use of the public.

The writer takes this opportunity of expressing his gratitude

to Mr. Gerald Mander, author of the *History of the Wolverhampton School*, for writing the article on Wolverhampton (pp. 321-354); to the Hon. Secretary for his valuable note on the population of Staffordshire; to the Registrars of the diocese and of the Dean and Chapter (Messrs. H. C. Hodson and R. R. Redmayne) for kindly allowing the writer unrestricted access to the invaluable documents in their custody; to the Rev. Claude Jenkins, Librarian of Lambeth Palace Library, for revising a portion of the Introduction; and to a great many of the present Staffordshire incumbents for allowing their registers to be inspected without the payment of any fees, and for much kind hospitality.

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Most of the manuscripts and two of the books referred to in the present work are described in detail in Appendix VI and have a distinctive number, which is that given in the following list :

(*a*) =Chan. Certif. 40. *See* No. 12.
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(*c*) =Chan. Certif. 44, pt. i. *See* No. 14.
(*d*) =Chan. Certif. 44, pt. ii. *See* No. 15.
(*e*) =Chan. Certif. 43. *See* No. 16.
ff. =paid first fruits. *See* No. 4.
(*h*) =Chan. Return Sep. 1552. *See* No. 17.
(*l*) =Chan. Return Dec. 1552. *See* No. 18.
(*m*) =Chan. Return c. 1552–3. *See* No. 19.
(*n*) =Chan. Return Apr. 1553. *See* No. 20.
(*p*) =pensions. *See* No. 27*a*.
(*q*) =pensions. *See* No. 27*b*.
(*r*) =Rentals. *See* No. 21.
(*s*) =" in the steeple."
(*t*) =Ministers' Accounts, Eliz. *See* No. 28.
Accounts=D. of L. Ministers' Accounts. *See* No. 26.
Act Book=Lich. Chap. Act Book. *See* No. 2.
Add. MSS.=Additional MSS. in B.M. *See* No. 31.
approp.=appropriate.
ar.=armiger (i.e. esquire).
Assistants in the removal of scandalous ministers. *See* No. 36.
Aug.=Augmentation Dept. of Court of Exchequer.
B.A. ? *See* p. xxxvii.
Beresford=*Diocesan History of Lichfield*, by Rev. Wm Beresford.
B.M.=British Museum.
Bod. MSS.=Bodleian MSS. at Oxford. *See* No. 31.
Calamy=*The Nonconformists' Memorial*, by Edmund Calamy, D.D., ed. by Sam Palmer, 1775.

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Calamy=The Nonconformists' Memorial, by Edmund Calamy, D.D., ed. by Sam Palmer, 1775

Chan. Proc.=Chancery Proceedings in P.R.O.

Cherry=*Stafford in Olden Times*, by J. L. Cherry, Stafford, 1890.

Ch. Orn.=church ornaments from inventory of 1553. *See* No. 29.

Ch. wds.=churchwardens. *See* No. 29.

Commissioners c. 1548=Mildmay and Keylwey. *See* No. 30.

Commissioners (1653–9)=the commissioners for the approbation of public preachers. *See* p. lxv.

Compounding=The printed calendar of the proceedings of the Committee for Compounding.

Cox=*S. H. C.*, vi, part ii.

Crown appointments. *See* No. 7.

D.=deanery.

D. of Lanc.=Duchy of Lancaster, documents in the P.R.O.

depr.=deprived.

D.N.B.=*Dictionary of National Biography.*

Dom.=Domestic State Papers in the P.R.O. The references will sometimes be found in the printed calendars.

Exch.=Exchequer.

Exch. Plea Rolls=Exch. of Account, First Fruits and Tenths, Plea Roll No. 1 (Easter 1 Mary to Hilary 2 & 3 Philip and Mary).

Fee farm=Exch. Aug. partic. for sale of fee farm rents. *See* No. 34.

Foster=*Alumni Oxoniensis*, by J. Foster.

Gee. *See* No. 35.

Grants=Partic. of grants for schools. *See* No. 30.

Gregory=Gregory King's MS. note-book, c. 1680, in Wm Salt Library.

Griffith=*The Free Schools and Endowments of Staffs.*, by Geo Griffith.

Harl. MSS.=Harleian MSS. in B.M.

Harwood=*The History and Antiquities of Lichfield*, by Rev. Thos Harwood, 1806.

Hibbert=*The Dissolution of the Monasteries*, by F. A. Hibbert, 1910.

Hutchinson=*The Archdeaconry of Stoke-on-Trent*, by S. W Hutchinson, 1893.

Keeper=The printed reports of the Deputy Keeper of the Records. *See* No. 7.

Chan. Proc.=Chancery Proceedings in P.R.O.

Cherry=Sir John Cherry, by J. L. Cherry, Sanford 1890.

Ch. Orn.=church ornaments from inventory of 1553. See No. 29.

Ch. wds.=churchwardens. See No. 23.

Commissioners c. 1542=Military and Religious. See No. 3.

Commissioners (1633-9)=the commissioners for the appropriation of public preachers. See p. lxx.

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King's Pamph.=King's Pamphlets. *See* Nos. 32, 33.

Lamb. MSS.=Lambeth MSS. *See* No. 31.

Lans. MSS.=Lansdowne MSS. in B.M. *See* No. 7.

Leases=Aug. Enrol. of Crown Leases. *See* No. 23.

M.A. ? *See* p. xxxvii.

Mander=*History of Wolverhampton Grammar School*, by Gerald Mander.

Mayor=*Admissions to S. John's Coll. Camb.*, by Joseph Mayor. From 1630.

Mis. Bk.=Miscellaneous Book in P.R.O.

ob.=obit (i.e. died).

occ.=occurs in. For the year named *see* Clergy Lists, No. 9.

P.R.O.=Public Record Office, Chancery Lane, E.C.

pr.=proved.

preb.=prebend or prebendary.

pst=priest.

Rentals=Rentals and Surveys (General Series). *See* No. 21.

res.=resigned.

rest.=restored.

Return of 1533, 1535, etc. *See* Clergy Lists of these years, No. 9.

Roy. Comp.=Royalist Composition Papers, which are quoted from the transcript of them in the Wm Salt Library.

Scandalous ministers, assistants to remove same. *See* No. 36.

Scholaris etc. This description in Latin of a clergyman is taken from the Return of 1593. *See* p. 398.

seq.=sequestered.

Shaw=*The Church under the Commonwealth*, by Wm A. Shaw, Litt.D., 1900.

Shaw's *Staffs.*=*The History and Antiquities of Staffordshire*, by Stebbing Shaw, 1798–1801.

signed testimony 1648. *See* No. 32.

Simms=*Bibliotheca Staffordiensis*, by Rupert Simms, 1894.

Sion MSS. *See* No. 31.

S.P.=State Papers.

Stebbing Shaw. *See* Shaw's *Staffs.* (above).

subscribed 1559. *See* No. 35.

Subsidies. *See* Nos. 10 and 11.

Testimony. *See* " signed testimony " (above).

T.R.=Treasury of Receipt in the Court of Exchequer.

transcript=transcript of parish register at Lichfield.

King's Pamph. = King's Pamphlets. See Nos. 32, 33.
Lamb. MSS. = Lambeth MSS. See No. 31.
Lans. MSS. = Lansdowne MSS. in B.M. See No. 2.
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P.R.O. = Public Record Office, Chancery Lane, E.C.
pr. = proved.
preb. = prebend or prebendary.
pst = priest.
Rentals = Rentals and surveys (General Series). See No. 21.
res. = resigned.
rest. = restored.
Return of 1533, 1535, etc. See Clergy Lists of these years, No. 9.
Roy. Comp. = Royalist Compositions Papers, which are quoted from the transcript of them in the Wm Salt Library.
Scandalous ministers, assistants to remove same. See No. 26.
Scholars etc. This description in Latin of a clergyman is taken from the Return of 1532. See p. 304.
sep. = sequestered.
Shaw = The Church under the Commonwealth, by Wm A. Shaw, Lit.D., 1900.
Shaw's Staffs. = The History and Antiquities of Staffordshire, by Stebbing Shaw, 1798–1801.
signed testimony 1648. See No. 32.
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Sion MSS. See No. 31.
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T.R. = Treasury of Receipt in the Court of Exchequer.
transcript = transcript of parish register at Lichfield.

trustees = The trustees for providing maintenance for preaching ministers (1650–60). *See* p. lxiv.

Valor = *Valor Ecclesiasticus*, 1534–5. *See* No. 9.

Venn = *The Book of (Cambridge) Matriculations and Degrees*, by John and J. A. Venn, 1913.

Vic. ch. = Vicar choral.

Walker = *Clergy sequestered, etc., in the Grand Rebellion*, by John Walker, 1714.

w.p. = will proved. All the wills mentioned in this book were proved at Lichfield, unless a reference is given to a book at the P.C.C. London—e.g. 38 Grey, 96 Fairfax, etc.—or the name of some other provincial court is added.

THE LEGAL AND CIVIL YEARS

Until 31 December 1751 the legal year in England was computed to begin on 25 March and to end on 24 March. It is this year which is used in the parish registers and most other contemporary documents. In the present work the days from 1 January to 24 March inclusive are printed with the double date, the first being the legal year, the second being the present civil or historical year. To make matters perfectly clear it may be added that practically all the contemporary writers state that Charles I was beheaded on 30 January 1648—i.e., towards the end of the legal year 1648, which was, of course, the beginning of the civil year 1649. Hence in modern histories the date is given as 1649. In this book the date would be given as 30 January 1648–9.

In some two or three cases only one year is named. This is due to the fact that in these cases the year has been taken from some comparatively modern work, the author of which does not make it clear whether he uses the historical year in accordance with recent custom or whether he has transcribed the date without alteration from some contemporary source, in which case the legal year would be almost certainly the one used by the original writer.

INTRODUCTION

THE ECCLESIASTICAL FEATURES OF THE PERIOD

The sixteenth and seventeenth centuries are of the greatest importance to all students of English church history on account of the religious upheavals that took place in them. Innumerable volumes have been written thereupon, but there has been little attempt made to discover how and to what extent the local parochial clergy in any particular district were affected by the changes they were compelled to make in the church services. It is hoped that this book will do something to fill up this gap, at all events as regards the county of Stafford.

Summarizing the results of the detailed investigations that are made later on in this introduction and the appendices, it seems probable that :

(1) Nearly all the Staffordshire parish clergy acquiesced in the Henrician, Edwardian, and Marian religious settlements ;

(2) Not more than two-thirds of the Marian incumbents ultimately conformed to the Elizabethan settlement ;

(3) About four-fifths of the episcopalian clergy conformed more or less to the Commonwealth settlement ;

(4) About 54 per cent. of the ministers conformed in 1662, including the old episcopalian clergy who had conformed during the Interregnum ;

(5) About two-thirds of the ministers established during the Commonwealth (i.e. excluding these episcopalians) did not conform in 1662 ;

(6) The number of chantry priests decreased very rapidly during the last fifteen years of the reign of Henry VIII, and there were only about half of the original number left at the date of their dissolution ;

(7) The number of clergy with university degrees rose from about 12 per cent. in 1593 to perhaps 80 per cent. in 1630 ;

(8) The number of clergy licensed to preach their own sermons increased from somewhere about 15 per cent. in 1593 to 28 per cent. in 1604 ;

(9) Nearly one-half of the clergy had an income of less than

11*l.* per annum in 1604, and only three out of ten had more than 27*l.*;

(10) More than one-half of the ministers had their income increased by augmentation grants during the Commonwealth period;

(11) Scarcely any of the influential families in Staffordshire welcomed the Reformation.

THE NUMBER OF SEPARATE PARISHES AND THE MAP

The area of Staffordshire in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries was slightly different from what it is to-day, and in some cases it is difficult to say whether a certain district was an independent parish, a chapelry in some mother parish, or extra-parochial. It has been impossible to adopt the mediæval divisions of the parishes in this book, for these were in some cases changed after the dissolution of the monasteries, the collegiate churches, the royal free and the chantry chapels. Some of these monastic or other churches became parish churches with a definite and—in some cases—a new district assigned to them; others were destroyed and the district formerly served by them was assigned to a neighbouring parish or became in a few wild places an extra-parochial district. A like fate befell the old chantry chapels which were situated at a distance from their parish church, though in their case most of those which survived became chapels of ease in their old parishes. Neither has it been possible to adopt the modern parochial districts, for many of these have been formed out of the old parishes within the past hundred years, and consequently are not mentioned in this book.

On the whole it has seemed best to take the parishes as certified in or about 1563 (*see* p. 397), even although this arrangement involves a few anomalies.[1] These parishes have been rearranged in alphabetical order and the few omissions supplied.

[1] Most of these anomalies occur in the neighbourhood of Stafford, where the certificate states that the incumbents of the chapels at Enson, Hopton, Marston, Salt, and Whitgreave had the cure (of souls), though "without institution"—i.e., that these were separate parishes. Hence they are treated as such in this book, although originally all these chapels belonged to the collegiate church at Stafford and seem to have been reunited to this parish early in the seventeenth century.

According to this computation, there were 143 separate parishes in Staffordshire, and the map[1] shows all[2] their respective boundaries. It also marks the districts[3] assigned to the chapels of ease within such parishes; the situation of the suppressed chantry chapels that were built at a distance from a parish church[4]; most of the extra-parochial districts; the situation of a few chapels outside the county boundaries, but within a Staffordshire parish and some townships within the county, which were parts of parishes in the archdeaconries and counties of Salop and Derby or in the dioceses of Chester, Hereford, and Worcester. These extra-parochial places and townships are mentioned in the population tables, but not in the alphabetical arrangement of the parishes, except in the cases of Bobbington and Haselour.

If it were not for the certificate attributed to 1563, it would have seemed better to classify some of these "parishes" as chapels of ease rather than as independent parishes. It is certain that their status at this date was somewhat doubtful, so the following table has been prepared as an alternative classification:

Doubtful parishes	Suggested mother church
Bednall	Berkswich
Butterton	Mayfield
Calton	Mayfield
Cheddleton	Leek
Codsall	Tettenhall
Croxden	?
Edingale	Alrewas
Enson	Stafford

[1] The oldest map of the county which gives the parish boundaries on one sheet is the Ordnance Survey of 1875–86. This map has been constructed therefrom, as it is believed that the new parishes formed between 1563 and this date were all subdivisions of one ancient parish. The boundaries of these ancient parishes can be easily ascertained from this survey, and they were substantially the same in the last half of the sixteenth and the first half of the eighteenth centuries. The map, however, must not be regarded as absolutely accurate, as it has been impossible to show upon it a few fields, which were detached from their mother parish and altogether surrounded by some other parish, and also a few districts, such as Needwood Forest, which were extra-parochial in 1563 and not assigned to parishes until a later date.

[2] All with the exception of three small parishes or chapelries within the old parish of S. Mary's, Stafford.

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Caton	Maybold
Cheddleton	Leek
Coksall	Tettenhall
Croxton	?
Edingale	Alrewas
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Horton	Leek
Ipstones	Leek
Marston	Stafford
Okeover	Ilam or Blore
Onecote	Leek
Salt	Stafford
Shareshill	Penkridge
Sheen	Ilam
Whitgreave	Stafford

If this classification be accepted, the number of Staffordshire parishes would be 125 instead of 143.

THE INFORMATION GIVEN ABOUT EACH PARISH

The information about each parish and its incumbents is arranged in the following order, viz.:

(1) The status of the parish in 1563—i.e. whether it was then a rectory, vicarage or curacy—whether it then had any chapels of ease attached to it or was under any peculiar jurisdiction, the deanery to which it belonged and the name of the monastery (if any) to which it had formerly been appropriated.

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(3) The church ornaments from the inventory of April and May 1553.

(4) A few notes about recusants, patrons, and other parish matters subsequent to 1563.

(5) The names of the last deans, prebendaries, and vicars choral of the dissolved collegiate churches.

(6) A list of the incumbents of the parish, with the exact dates of their appointment to the parish and of the termination of their cure.

(7) A similar list of the curates or assistant ministers.

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Sheen	Ham
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(10) Similar particulars of any obits or lights maintained within the parish church.

(11) Similar particulars of any dissolved chantries at a distance from the parish church.

(12) Chapels of ease attached to the parish church in 1563, with their ornaments, etc.

(13) A list of their incumbents with dates, as in No. 6.

(14) Particulars of any chantries, obits, or lights formerly attached to these chapels, as in Nos. 9 and 10.

(15) Notes on the incumbents and the value of their benefices at various periods, with full references.

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were at least 145 chantry priests in Staffordshire at the beginning of the sixteenth century, and that by 1548 this number had been reduced to 74 or thereabouts.

Eighty-five priests are known to have been serving their respective chantries in 1545.

At least[1] ten of these kept a school, usually free for the children of the parish, and four or five of them were permitted to remain and continue their schools at salaries varying from 5*l.* 17*s.* 2*d.* to 3*l.* 10*s.*

Of the remaining 75 about 23 may have subsequently obtained preferments and about 52 probably did not. The great majority of these priests were granted a pension in 1548, but there is little evidence to show how long this was paid.

Altogether there seem to have been at least 112 chantries endowed at altars within parish churches or chapels of ease and some 43 chantry chapels at some distance therefrom, including the suppressed eleemosynary foundations known as hospitals at Stafford, Stoke, and Tamworth.

All the particulars known are summarized in the lists printed in Appendix I, which, however, must not be regarded as exhaustive (*see* p. 364, List 5).

OBITS AND LIGHTS

The endowments of 169 obits are named in this book, but of these 82 were at Lichfield Cathedral, 25 at Tamworth, 14 at Walsall, and 9 at Stafford, which leaves only 39 for the rest of the county.

These endowments were of very small value and, no doubt, were easy to conceal from the King's commissioners. Probably this was successfully done in most parishes.

There are about 55 endowments for lights or lamps mentioned in the certificates.

THE INSTITUTION OF THE CLERGY

In 1563 and for many years afterwards the incumbents of many of the churches in Staffordshire were not instituted or inducted into their several cures by the bishop or his officials.

[1] It is quite possible that several other priests kept a school, though, if so, the fact has not been mentioned in the certificates (*see* Index, heading "Schools," particularly pp. 203, 220).

Hence there is no record of their appointment in the diocesan register or the bishops' certificates of institution. The most important of these were the ancient collegiate churches of Gnosall, Penkridge, Tamworth, Tettenhall, and Wolverhampton; the monastic churches of Burton, Croxden, Rocester, Stone, and Trentham, and most of the churches which were exempt from the jurisdiction of the bishop. Those of lesser importance were the churches at Barlaston, Ellenhall, Cheddleton, Gayton, Horton, Kingstone, Shareshill, Tipton, Waterfall, West Bromwich, Weston-on-Trent, etc. Some of the incumbents of the old chapels of ease had practically the entire charge of their district, had endowments quite distinct and independent of their mother churches, and seem to have been appointed for life, just as if they had been independent rectors or vicars, but there is no record of their appointment in any extant diocesan documents.[1]

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IDENTIFICATIONS OF INCUMBENTS

It has been a matter of considerable difficulty to decide how best to deal with a very large number of cases where it is certain that the incumbents of two, three, or more cures had the same name and where the dates and perhaps other circumstances suggest that it was the same individual who had successively occupied these cures, but where there is no independent or conclusive evidence of identity. On the whole it has been considered best that the compiler should indicate his opinion as to the identity by making use of such expressions in the notes as show whether he considers it probable or merely possible. Similar difficulties with regard to degrees are dealt with under the heading "University Degrees."

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are other circumstances—in most cases obvious to the careful reader—which render the identification likely and in many cases almost certain.

CLERICAL GRADUATES

An attempt has been made to estimate the number of university graduates among the Staffordshire parochial clergy from the following data.

The 1593 return gives definite information about 109 of these clergy. Of these 14 had degrees, 95 had not, though 11 of these are stated to be scholars of Oxford or Cambridge, who apparently had not taken their degrees.

The 1602 return mentions only 78 clergy, 17 with degrees, 61 without. The return of 1604 does not, as a rule, state whether the ministers had degrees or not, but a careful examination of the statements made in this return and in those of 1593 and 1602 enables the compiler to state that in 1604 there were about 22 ministers with degrees and some 95 without. There were also about 53 other parochial clergymen about whom nothing can be stated with certainty, though it is not probable that more than a very few of these had degrees.

The few odd ordination lists of 1623–31 give the names of 23 ordinees, who subsequently obtained benefices in this county, and of these 20 had degrees, 3 had not. Altogether 95 ordinees are mentioned, 76 with degrees, 19 without, i.e. 17 " students " and 2 literates.

The diocesan register records 48 Staffordshire institutions between 1619–31 and mentions that 43 of these presentees had degrees ; 5 apparently had not.

Summarizing the afore-given figures, it would appear that the percentage of parochial clergy who possessed university degrees was 12·8 in 1593, 21·8 in 1602, 18·8 in 1604, 79 of the whole number of ordinees or 87 of the Staffordshire ordinees in 1623–31, and 89 of the presentees in 1619–31.

Graduates would naturally be selected to fill the more important benefices " with institution " ; consequently the percentage of graduates to the whole number of clergy would be considerably less than 87 or 89 per cent. Still it is clear that Bp Morton (1619–32) increased the number of graduates among the clergy very considerably. He was noted for his liberality in supporting scholars at the universities.

UNIVERSITY DEGREES

In all cases where it is absolutely certain from contemporary evidence that an incumbent had taken a degree, such degree is placed after his name without any query sign. The *Alumni Oxoniensis* of Joseph Foster (referred to as Foster) and *The Book of (Cambridge) Matriculations and Degrees* compiled by John and J. A. Venn (referred to as Venn) have usually enabled the compiler to give the date of the degree, the college from which it was taken, and sometimes the parentage of these incumbents.[1]

In a very large number of other cases it is probable that a graduate mentioned by Foster or Venn is identical with a Staffordshire incumbent. In these cases the degree is queried and it must be understood that there is no direct and indisputable authority for the suggested identification, although in many cases the occurrence of one or more of the following circumstances renders the identification practically certain.

Thus an incumbent has been provisionally identified with a graduate of the same name and date if the incumbent were *prima facie* likely to be a graduate by reason of his holding

(1) A college living—e.g., Cheadle;

(2) An important benefice usually held by graduates—e.g., Hanbury, Grindon, Clifton Campville, etc.;

(3) A living to which he had been appointed by the Crown, by[2] the committee for plundered ministers or their successors;

[1] The numerous references to Foster and Venn merely indicate that a man of this name matriculated or graduated at the college and in the year named, and that further particulars about him are given in their books. Venn never makes any attempt at identification; and although Foster does do so in many cases, the compiler takes the responsibility for all the suggested identifications of Staffordshire incumbents, but he relies upon Foster for those outside the county.

Persons interested in any particular clergyman are advised to consult the college register in all cases where it is intimated that he may have been connected with a college, as these registers should give the parentage, date of birth, social status, school and residence of each member of the college, and will frequently confirm or disprove the suggested identification.

[2] There was a striking increase in the number of students at the universities for twenty years or so before the Commonwealth, and on the whole it continued even during the Interregnum among those families that were not active Royalists.

It would seem as if the Puritans even at this period attached great importance to a university education, for this book shows that almost all the nominees in Staffordshire of the committee for plundered ministers, the trustees for the maintenance of preaching ministers, the Council of State and the Lord Protector of the Commonwealth, may have been university men, and probably were so in the vast majority of cases.

(4) A prebend;

(5) A licence to preach.

Similarly graduates have been identified with incumbents of the same name and date in cases where

(1) The name is an uncommon one;

(2) The graduate was a Staffordshire man or came from the neighbourhood of the incumbent's parish.

In other cases where a graduate may be identical with an incumbent, but the balance of probability seems to be against the identification, this possibility is stated in the notes, but the degree is not placed after his name in the lists.

It may be added that the original documents on which this work is based usually omit degrees, except in the returns of 1593, 1602, and the bishop's registers.

The old forms of S.T.B. and S.T.P. are given as B.D. and D.D. respectively, except in the case of the Wolverhampton clergy.

LICENSED PREACHERS

In the reign of Elizabeth "no pastor was at liberty to expound the scriptures to his people, without an express appointment to that office by the bishop."[1] Writing from Coventry on 10 July 1560, Thos Lever, the archdeacon, stated that "Many of our parishes have no clergyman . . . and out of that very small number who administer the sacraments throughout this great country, there is hardly one in a hundred who is both able and willing to preach the word of God; but all persons are obliged to read only what is prescribed in the books."[2]

Only a very few of the parish clergy received licences to preach, and according to Bp Overton there were scarcely five "tolerable" preachers in Staffordshire in 1584.[3]

The three returns of 1593, 1602, and 1604 definitely state whether the clergy named therein were preachers or not, and from these it appears that among the parish clergy there were in 1593 16 preachers, 93 non-preachers; in 1602 17 preachers, 61 non-preachers; and in 1604 44 preachers, 112 non-preachers.

[1] Quoted from Prebendary Perceval Wiburn's description of the Church of England circa 1566 (*Zurich Letters*, 2nd ser., p. 358; cf. p. 162).

[2] *Zurich Letters*, 1st ser., p. 85.

[3] *See* pp. 376, 377.

This gives a percentage of preachers in 1593 of 14·7; in 1602 of 21·8; and in 1604 of 28·2.[1]

THE CHARACTERS OF THE CLERGY

There is an interesting record of the character and erudition of individual clergymen in the archidiaconal return of 1593 and the Puritan return of 1604.

It is only possible to compare the statements made in these returns in some 60 cases, as there was a considerable change in the personnel of the clergy during these eleven years, and, of course, there is no record in the 1593 return about the 30 clergymen who did not then appear for examination.

There does not appear to be any essential contradiction between these returns in 49 out of these 60 cases, although the additional information given by the Puritans often alters the impression given in the 1593 return. Thus 10 men are merely described as public or licensed preachers in the earlier return, whereas the later one adds that 5 of these were non-resident in their parishes, and that 2 of the remainder preached but seldom. Again, a man jejunely called by the archdeacon or his informant "mediocriter doctus" is more bluntly called by the Puritans "ignorant," "very ignorant," "scandalous," "a worldling," "a swearer," "a drunkard," or even something worse.

In only three instances does the earlier return give a more unfavourable report of a clergyman than the later one.[2]

In some 11 cases there is a definite disagreement between the two returns. Thus 4 men are described as "in sacris litteris incumbens, instructus, or bene exercitatus" in the first return, but as "unlearned, ignorant or very ignorant" in the second return, and 4 others are said in 1593 to instruct their respective flocks in a praiseworthy way, while in 1604 one of these is said to be "offensive to the whole county, preacheth very seldom," another is "of scandalous life, seldom preacheth,"

[1] The summary at the end of the 1604 return runs as follows: "There be no preachers in 83 parish churches and 35 churches annexed and chapels; so that there be 118 congregations which have no preachers, neither have had (for the most) now more than 40 years. There be 16 non-residents and pluralitants, whereof 11 [are] preachers and 5 no preachers."

[2] In these cases the 1593 return states that these men were "omnino indoctus," "utcunque doctus," and "mediocriter doctus," whereas the 1604 return confines itself to the statement that these men were "no preachers." Two other incumbents were given a thoroughly bad character by the archdeacon, but neither of them occurs in the 1604 return (pp. 210, 239).

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There does not appear to be any essential contradiction between these returns in 40 of these 90 cases, although the additional information given by the Puritans often alters the impression given in the 1593 return. Thus 10 men are merely described as public or licensed preachers in the earlier return, whereas the later one adds that 5 of these were non-resident in their parishes, and that 2 of the remainder preached but seldom. Again, a man plainly called by the archdeacon or his informant "mediocrite doctus" is more bluntly called by the Puritans "ignorant," "very ignorant," "scandalous," "a wobbling," "a swearer," "a drunkard," or even something worse.

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[1] The summary at the end of the 1641 return runs as follows: "There be no preachers in 63 parish churches and 19 chapelries annexed and appropriate, so that there be 114 congregations which have no preachers, neither have had for the most now more than a year." Thus in 1641 there were 63 non-resident and plurality, whereas in 1593 only 17 preachers and 5 non-residents.

[2] In these cases the 1593 return states that these men were "mediocre indoctus," "mediocrite doctus" and "mediocriter doctus," whereas the 1641 return contains itself in the statement that these men were "no preachers." Two other incumbents were given a thoroughly bad character by the archdeacon, but neither of them occurs in the 1641 return (p. 176, 190).

the third is a "preacher, weak, of loose life," and the fourth is "no preacher, a gamester, drunkard." In the remaining three cases the men are thus described: "in sacris litteris experitus" and "a mere worldling"; "bene litteratus" and "a worldling"; "in sacris litteris exercitatus" and "of loose life."

In these 11 cases an effort has been made to discover from contemporary evidence which return is the most credible, but only at Rugeley has this effort been partially successful. In this case the vicar was certainly a gamester, as is alleged by the Puritans; but on the other hand the parish register shows that he was diligent in baptizing, marrying, and burying his flock throughout the whole of his long vicariate, so that, apart from this weakness, he may have been as learned and satisfactory as is alleged by the archdeacon.

The summary at the end of the 1604 return states that there were then 18 congregations served by laymen and 40 by "scandalous" clergymen.

ORDINATION LISTS

There are no ordination lists in the diocesan registers between 1554 and 1662, but there are a few ordination dates mentioned in the 1593 return and also in some odd loose leaves kept in the register between 1623–31. It has been thought worth while to print these in the notes, as they show that many of the clergy obtained benefices immediately after their ordination, and also that it was not uncommon for men to be ordained both priest and deacon on the same day. In 1630 no fewer than 5 men (2 Staffordshire ones) received both orders on the same day, and in 1662 and 1663 the same happened to nearly all the Commonwealth ministers who were ordained.

HENRICIAN AND EDWARDIAN NONCONFORMISTS

There does not appear to be any extant record of the deprivation of a Staffordshire parochial incumbent on account of his refusal to make the changes in the church services that were ordered by the Crown and parliament between 1544 and 1553.

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tions of some six[1] incumbents may perhaps be attributed to this cause, but in the next reign only three resignations are known to have taken place; one being due to preferment to a better living[2] and two being pluralists who resigned one out of many preferments.[3]

Of course drastic alterations were made in the staff of the dissolved collegiate churches, and the Edwardian commissioners at the Augmentation Office took care that the curates whom they appointed to serve these churches were in sympathy with the changes that were then being made, and they took similar care with regard to any other appointments that they made[4]; but they do not seem to have interfered with the incumbent of any ordinary church or chapel.

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List of those who resigned[6]

Samson Burne, Tixall, 1548–57.
Rich Edwards, Bushbury, 1546–57.
Hen Elkin, Madeley, c. 1533–57.
Nic Harwar (Audley, 1542–54) ? Uttoxeter, 1554–7.
Wm Horsley, Milwich, c. 1533–58.
? (Rich Slany, Penn, 1547–?)
John Wilson, Colton, 1546–58.

[1] Wm. Brymley, of Uttoxeter; Edw Harlyng, of Thorpe Constantine; Arthur Meverell, of Tutbury; John Pilkington, of Bradeley; Rich. Talbott, of Drayton Bassett; and Wm. Wycherley, of Shenstone.

[2] Ralph Cox, of Shenstone.

[3] John apHarry resigned Lichfield S. Mary's, and Anth. Draycott resigned Draycott rectory.

[4] See p. 303.

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John Wilson, Colton, 1549-58.

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ELIZABETHAN NONCONFORMISTS[1]

It is very difficult to form any reliable estimate of the number of the parochial clergy in Staffordshire who refused to conform to the religious changes made by parliament in 1559. There is very little direct evidence[2] available, so the following lists have been prepared with the hope and belief that the general results may approximate to the actual facts. The information about the clergy of the chapels of ease and the unbeneficed clergy is far too scanty to be of any value; so the first nine lists deal exclusively with the incumbents of parish churches or "churches with cure" and List 10 with the dignitaries of Lichfield cathedral.

In spite of the vigorous opposition of all the surviving diocesan bishops, who were supported by the apparently unanimous protest of convocation, the Acts of Supremacy and Uniformity received the Queen's assent early in May 1559. Several[3] of the more prominent church dignitaries refused to subscribe to these Acts, and were deprived of their various preferments or compelled to resign them within the next year or two; but most of the less prominent clergy who were recalcitrant escaped ejection for a few years.

The commissioners who came into Staffordshire to obtain the subscription and assent of the clergy to these Acts spent but two days in the county, and barely obtained the subscription of three-quarters of the clergy who seem ultimately to have conformed (Lists 1, 2 and 3).

[1] Readers who are interested in this subject should consult *The Elizabethan Clergy and the Settlement of Religion*, by Hen. Gee, B.D. (Oxford, 1898), and *The Elizabethan Religious Settlement*, by H. N. Birt, O.S.B. (London, 1907). The former comes to the final conclusion that "the number of clergymen deprived for Papal sympathies between 1558 and 1564 . . . cannot have greatly exceeded two hundred" (Preface, p. viii). The latter considers it probable that more than one thousand nine hundred clergy abandoned their livings between June 1559 and 1565 from conscientious inability to conform (p. 203).

Both base their conclusions upon a study of contemporary documents, which are largely quoted, but Gee deals with far fewer documents than Birt does, and, moreover, does not take into account the remarkable "movement" of the clergy between 1559 and 1565. These lists deal with the "movement" in Staffordshire, and tend to show that even Birt's estimate is too small.

[2] It has been impossible to consult a return of the diocesan clergy which is believed to have been made by Bp Bentham in the winter of 1560–1. It is usually kept in the library of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, but has been moved to a place of greater security in consequence of the war, and is at present inaccessible.

[3] Including all the diocesan bishops, save the Bp of St. Asaph, and some 19 out of 30 Marian dignitaries in the diocese of Coventry and Lichfield (List 10).

On the other hand, it is not improbable that some, if not all, of the subscribing clergy mentioned in Lists 4 and 5 subsequently repented of their hasty action, as is known to have been the case in other dioceses.[1] It is therefore suggested that not much importance can be attached to the subscription list of 1559.

In August 1562 the recusant commissioners certified that a great part of Staffordshire was evil inclined towards religion; the evidence of Bp Bentham in 1564 is to the same effect, and in 1565 he apparently admits that some of his clergy are disorderly and continue to preserve secretly in their churches idols and other monuments of idolatry and superstition.[2]

Hence it is not really safe to assume the genuine conformity of all the clergy who died in possession of their livings between 1565 and 1572 (List 2), while the attitude of those who died in 1563 and 1564 is most uncertain (List 3). However, they are here classified as probable or possible conformists.

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Still, it seems reasonable to assume that any individual mistakes in Lists 4, 5, and 6 will be counterbalanced and counteracted by similar errors in Lists 2 and 3, and that the general result will be fairly trustworthy, or at any rate indicate the maximum number of those who ultimately accepted the Elizabethan settlement.

The total number of conformists mentioned in the first three lists is 47, and the number of nonconformists in the next three lists is 24. This gives a percentage of about 66 conformists and 34 nonconformists; in other words, it seems probable that more than one-third of the old parochial clergy in Staffordshire

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[2] *See* pp. 367, 369, 371.

[3] Two of these were in strongholds of recusancy, the third was an old Henrician priest instituted before the first breach with Rome, and the fourth was the sinecure rector of Creswell.

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The following considerations seem to show that if there is any appreciable error in the results thus provisionally arrived at, the error is probably in the direction of an over-estimation of the number of conformists :—

(i) No notice has hitherto been taken of the nonconformists mentioned in List 7, because they cannot now be identified with any known Marian incumbent. If included, the percentages would be : conformists 60, nonconformists 40.

(ii) Although there is no definite information now available with regard to the incumbents of the many small parishes and peculiars given in List 9, it is probable that many of them were without an incumbent during the first few years of the reign of Elizabeth.[1] In 1564 Bp Bentham complains that many offenders against religion had taken refuge in these peculiars to avoid correction,[2] and even as late as 1604 they are reported generally to be strongholds of papistry,[3] so that it does not seem possible that there could have been a large majority of conforming incumbents therein.

(iii) List 8 shows that only 4 of these incumbents subscribed in 1559, as against 5 who did not subscribe ; but no particular stress is laid upon this fact.

(iv) List 10 shows conclusively that a large majority of the cathedral dignitaries were deprived of or forced to resign their preferments between 1559 and 1562 ; and it seems reasonable to assume that if Queen Elizabeth had thought it desirable to permit similar pressure to be put upon the inferior clergy, they also would have resigned in the same proportion. At any rate, this would probably be the case in the peculiars, as these livings were, of course, in the gift of the cathedral dignitaries.

(v) Even after Elizabeth had been on the throne for twenty years and more there were a few influential Staffordshire families the heads of which repeatedly suffered imprisonment and fines on account of their devotion to the "old religion,"[4] and a very large number of other influential families that

[1] *See* p. xxxviii. [2] *See* p. 369. [3] *See* p. 49.
[4] A phrase used by Queen Elizabeth. (*S. P. Spanish*, 1568, printed calendar, p. 51.)

evidently had conformed under compulsion and were more or less secretly opposed to the Reformation.[1] All these would naturally endeavour to protect and retain the old clergy as long as possible, and perhaps in a few cases[2] they succeeded in doing so until the severe measures that were taken against papist recusants after the excommunication of the queen by the pope in 1569.

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LIST 1

Conformists.—Twenty-three incumbents who were still in possession of their respective livings in 1572.

*Thos Allcock, Sedgley, 1558–73.
*Thos Bakewell, Bramshall, 1532–ob. 1585.
*John Beech, Sheriff Hales, 1556–ob. 1586.
†*Thos Bolt, Church Eaton, 1549–ob. 1579; Handsworth, 1557–res. 1571; Rolleston, 1554–79.
*Andrew Bowyer, Ashley, 1551–ob. 1574; Wolstanton, c. 1539–74.
Griffin Broke, Darlaston, 1528–ob. 1591.
John Copenhall, Stoke-on-Trent, 1553–ob. 1575.
†*Arthur Dudley, Kingswinford, 1556–ob. 1577.
*Thos Fox, Penn, 1554–ob. 1572.
*Wm Hay, Thorpe Constantine, 1558–ob. 1577
*Roger Hodson, Pattingham, 1551–ob. 1581.
Adam Javon, Clent, 1557–ob. 1597.
Wm Marten, Mavesyn Ridware, 1531–ob. 1575.

[1] *See* pp. 373, 376, 378, 379, 383, etc.
[2] *See*, for example, Brewood, Eccleshall, Hamstall Ridware, Madeley, Swynnerton, and the other centres of recusancy.
[3] *Anglo-Roman Relations*, C. G. Bayne, Oxford, 1913, p. 213.

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*Thos Allcock, Sedgley, 1558–73.
*Thos Bakewell, Bromsgrove, 1532–ob. 1585.
*John Beach, Shrewsbury, 1550–ob. 1580.
†*Thos Bolt, Church Eaton, 1510–ob. 1590; Handsworth, 1537–res. 1571; Rollaston, 1534–29.
*Andrew Bowyer, Ashley, 1531–ob. 1571; Wolstanton, c. 1530–74.
Griffin Brooke, Darlaston, 1528–ob. 1571.
John Copenhall, Stoke-on-Trent, 1553–ob. 1575.
†*Arthur Dudley, Kingswinford, 1550–ob. 1577.
*Thos Fox, Penn, 1534–ob. 1572.
*Wm Hay, Thorpe Constantine, 1558–ob. 1572.
*Roger Hodson, Farnborough, 1551–ob. 1581.
Adam Jayson, Olaut, 1557–ob. 1587.
Wm Marten, Marwood, Rodway, 1531–ob. 1575.

[1] See pp. 170, 172, 176, 178, 180.

[2] See, for example, Harwood, Ecclesfield, Heaton of Holmes—Madeley, Swynnerton, and the other cases of recusancy.

[3] Hogle-Nolan Informs, E. C. Hayne, Oxford, 1913, p. 214.

*Ralph Masfen, Blymhill, 1555–ob. 1606.
*Wm Norman, Blithfield, 1550–ob. 1573.
*John Russell, Colwich, 1554–ob. 1580.
*Nich Sylvester, Shenstone, 1551–occ. 1594.
Thos Tatton, Colton, 1558–ob. 1572.
*John Underhill, Ingestre, 1538 ?–ob. 1577.
†*Wm Walkeden, Clifton Campville, 1558–res. 1607.
*Edmund Walker, Aldridge, 1557–ob. 1575.
(?*) John Warde, Blore Ray, c. 1533–ob. 1578.
Nich Whitlock, Biddulph, occ. 1533–res. 1577.

LIST 2

Probable Conformists.—Nineteen incumbents who were in possession of their respective livings on 1 Jan. 1564-5, but who seem to have vacated them by death before 1573.

*Robt Alsop, Alrewas, 1545–ob. 1568.
*Wm Caterbank, Leigh, 1550–ob. 1568.
*Rich Clyffe, Stone, Sandon, Stone occ. 1548–67.
?Rich Crewe, Stone, occ. 1557–65.
*John Goodwyn, Ilam, 1549–ob. 1571.
Rich Gorste, Lapley, 1543–ob. 1566.
Hum Lee, Forton, 1555–ob. 1570.
*?Thos Leeke, Weston-under-Lizard, June 1558–ob. 1572.
Hen Lorte, Hanbury, 1558–ob. 1568.
*Thos Marler, Mayfield, 1557–ob. 1569.
*Rich Okeley, Norbury, 1556–ob. 1566.
*Wm Ridware, Swynnerton, 1556–ob. 1570.
*Andrew Sherrard, Leek, 1546–ob. 1568.
*?John Stanley, Alton, 1546–ob. 1569 ?
Ralph Thorley, Barlaston, 1548–ob. 1569.
*John Turner, Walsall, occ. 1535–ob. 1569.
(?*) John Warde, Gratwich, occ. 1533–ob. 1570.
*Rich Whorwood, Enville, 1538–ob. 1571.
*Rich Wilson, Bushbury, May 1558–ob. 1567.

LIST 3

Possible Conformists.—Five incumbents who died in possession of their livings in 1563 and 1564.

Rich Brett, Haughton, 1551–ob. 1563; Rushall, occ. 1533–ob. 1563.

Robt Bruce, Kingsley, 1530–ob. 1564.
*Edward Fletcher, Rugeley, 1558–ob. 1564.
Edmund Jackson, High Offley, 1544–ob. 1563.
*John Willdeblod, Caverswall, occ. 1539–ob. 1563.

LIST 4

Nonconformists.—Seven incumbents who resigned or were deprived of their respective livings in 1559, 1560 *or* 1561.[1]

†Thos Chedulton, Stafford S. Mary, 1549–depr. c. 1560 ?[2]
†Anthony Draycott, Checkley, occ. 1520–depr. 1559; Grindon, 1544–depr. 1559.
*Geo Hilton, Uttoxeter, 1557–res. 1561 ?
*Roger Houghton, Audley, 1554–res. 1561.
†Wm Manley, Hamstall Ridware, 1557–depr. 1561.
Rich Sampole, Himley, Feb. 1558-9–res. 1561.
Wm Stapleton, Draycott-in-the-moors, 19 Nov. 1558–res. c. 1560.

LIST 5

Probable Nonconformists.—Twelve incumbents who vacated their respective livings from some unknown cause (but probably not by death—see List 8) *before* 1 *Jan.* 1562–3 *or resigned or were deprived of them at a later date.*

*Wm Bacon, Standon, 1526–depr. 1570.
*Wm Elde, Tutbury, 1544–61.
Oliver Gill, Mucklestone, 1554–9 ?
*Geoffrey Gosling, Eccleshall, May 1558–res. 1565.
Ralph Hales, Madeley, 1557–depr. 1567.
Wm Hare, Creswell, 1553–res. 1570.
*Rich Nycolls, Milwich, 1558–9.
Wm Okeden, Rocester, occ. 1559–62 ?
*† ? Robt Sutton, Wednesbury, 1558–9.
*James Walker, Drayton Bassett, 1555–9.
Rich Wharton, Brewood, 1553–res. 1571.
Thos (*illegible*), Kinver, occ. 1560.

[1] The Dean of Wolverhampton was also deprived in 1559, but can scarcely be considered a Staffordshire incumbent.

[2] There is no doubt about the deprivation of Chedulton from the prebend of Pipa parva and the vicarage of Worfield (*Gee*, p. 275), but it is not quite certain that at this time he was vicar of Stafford. *See* p. 245, note 10.

Robt Bruce, Kingsley, 1530–ob. 1591.
*Edward Hatch, Rugely, 1534–ob. 1594.
Edmund Jackson, High Offley, 1544–ob. 1594.
*John Willdebled, Caverswall, occ. 1510–ob. 1595.

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†Thos Cheshlton, Stafford S. Mary, 1540–deprived c. 1560?*
†Anthony Dayvott Cheshley, occ. 1540–dep. 1559, Gundon, 1564–dep. 1559.
*Geo Hilton, Uttoxeter, 1537–res. 1561?
*Roger Houghton, Alvaley, 1534–res. 1561.
†Wm Manley, Hamstall Ridware, 1537–dep. 1559.
Rich Sampole, Hinley, 1538–o–res. 1561.
Wm Stapleton, Dayvott-in-the-moors, 20 Nov. 1558–res. c. 1560.

LIST 5

Probable Nonconformists—Twelve incumbents who resigned their respective livings from some unknown cause (but probably not by death—are last so before 1 Jan. 1562–3) or resigned or were deprived of them at a later date.

*Wm Bacon, Standon, 1530–dep. 1570.
*Wm Elde, Tutbury, 1544–dr.
Oliver Gill, Muckleston, 1534–9?
*Geoffrey Gosling, Eccleshall, May 1558–res. 1562.
Ralph Hales, Madeley, 1537–dep. 1562.
Wm Harr, Cranswell, 1534–res. 1570.
*Rich Nycolls, Milwich, 1558–9.
Wm Okeden, Hoccater, occ. 1559–0–?
*†? Robt Sutton, Wednesbury, 1558–9.
*James Walker, Drayton Bassett, 1535–9.
Rich Wharton, Barwood, 1531–res. 1571.
Thos (illegible), Kinver, occ. 1560.

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* There is no doubt about the deprivation of Cheshlton from the living of Fipa-pava and the vicarage of Worfield (see p. 272), but it is not quite certain that at this time he was vicar of Stafford. See p. 25, page 14.

LIST 6.

Possible Nonconformists.—Five unknown incumbents who vacated the following churches (q.v.) early in the reign of Elizabeth.

? Burton-on-Trent.
Cheadle. A new rector 2 Jan. 1561–2.
? Elford. A new rector 14 Aug. 1561.
Lichfield, S. Mary's, c. 1560 ?
Tamworth. No vicar in 1563.

LIST 7

Other possible Nonconformists.—Eight incumbents who were appointed in the reign of Elizabeth and cannot now be identified with any Marian incumbent.

*Edm Barber, Tutbury, depr. 1570.
Arthur Blunt, Uttoxeter, 1562–depr. 1566.
Thos Bradshaw, Hamstall Ridware, 1562–? res. 1563.
Rich Gattacre, Swynnerton, 1570–depr. 1573.
Hugh Hall, Hamstall Ridware, c. 1561–depr. 1562.
Gilbert Magnolds, Eccleshall, 1565–res. 1573.
Thos More, Elford, 1561–depr. 1567.
Hum Steele, Madeley, 1567–res. 1575.

LIST 8

Nine incumbents who died after Nov. 1558 and before 1 Jan. 1562-3.

*Wm Asteley, Seighford, 1543–ob. 1561.
Rich Grene, Longdon, 1527–ob. 1560.
John Legg, Hints, ob. — Jan. 1558–9.
Geo Mason, Tatenhill, 11 Nov. 1558–ob. 1562.
Robt Moore, Bradeley, ob. 6 Sep. 1562.
*Hugh Sheldon, Alstonefield, occ. 1533–ob. c. 1562.
Thos Thomkynson, Dilhorne, 1534–ob. 1559.
*Geo Webb, Wombourn, 1555–ob. 1561.
*Thos Wilson, Abbots Bromley, ob. 1561.

LIST 9

Fifty-three parishes the incumbents of which do not occur in any of the foregoing lists, as nothing is known or can be inferred

about their attitude towards the Elizabethan settlement of religion except what is stated on p. xliv.

Parishes with institution

Chebsey	Patshull
Ellastone	Tixall

Parishes without institution

Butterton	Marston
Caldon	Okeover
Calton	Onecote
Cheddleton	Penkridge
Codsall	Ronton
Croxden	Sheen
Ellenhall	Stafford, Castle Church
Enson	Stowe
Gayton	Tettenhall
Gnosall	Tipton
Haselour	Trentham
Hopton	Waterfall
Horton	West Bromwich
Ipstones	Weston-on-Trent
Kingstone	Wetton
Maer	

Peculiars

Acton Trussell	Harborne
Adbaston	Kings Bromley
Arley	Lichfield, S. Chad
Armitage	Lichfield, S. Michael
Bednall	Norton Canes
Berkswich	Pipe Ridware
Cannock	Stafford, S. Chad
Edingale	Weeford
Farewell	Whittington

LIST 10

CATHEDRAL DIGNITARIES

(a) *List of those who conformed and retained their preferments or obtained other preferments.*

*Geo Lee, Treasurer.

*Rich Walker, archd. of Stafford, preb. of Pipa minor, etc.

about their attitude towards the Elizabethan settlement of religion except what is stated on p. xlix.

Parishes with institution

Chesney	Patshull
Ellastone	Tixall

Parishes without institution

Batterton	Marston
Calden	Oldcover
Calton	Onecote
Chebsey	Penkridge
Codsall	Ronton
Croxden	Sheen
Ellenhall	Stafford, Castle Church
Enson	Stone
Gayton	Tatenhill
Gnosall	Tipton
Haselour	Trentham
Hopton	Waterfall
Horton	West Bromwich
Ipstones	Weston-on-Trent
Kingstone	Wetton
Mayer	

Peculiars

Acton Trussell	Harborne
Adbaston	Kings Bromley
Arley	Lichfield, S. Chad
Armitage	Lichfield, S. Michael
Bednall	Norton Canes
Berkswich	Pipe Ridware
Cannock	Stafford, S. Chad
Edingale	Wolford
Farewell	Wrottesley

LIST IV

CATHEDRAL DIGNITARIES

(a) List of those who conformed and retained their preferments or obtained other preferments.

*Geo Lee, Treasurer.

*Rich Walker, archd. of Stafford, prob. of Pipa minor, etc.

*†Thos Bolt, preb. of Statfold.
*†Arth Dudley, preb. of Colwich.
(*Arth Lowe, preb. of Dernford) ?[1].
*(Edm Meyrick, preb. of Freeford from 9 Dec. 1558, etc. etc.)?[5]
Hen Sydall, preb. of Tervin.[2]
*†Wm Walkeden, preb. of Whittington.[3]
*Hen Wilshaw, preb. of Dassett parva.[4]

(b) *List of those who seem to have conformed, as they are believed to have retained their prebends until* 1568 *or later.*

Wm Broke, preb. of Bishopshull from Oct. 1543. Successor admitted Nov. 1569.
Thos German, preb. of Flixton from Nov. 1553. Successor admitted Aug. 1568.
(Edmond Hare, preb. of Gaia major from Feb. 1558–9. Successor admitted May 1569) ?[5]
Leon Hurst, preb. of Ufton decani from Dec. 1557. Successor admitted Feb. 1577–8.

(c) *List of those deprived of their preferments in* 1559 *or shortly after.*

Ralph Bayne, Bp of Cov. and Lich., depr. 26 June 1559, died 18 Nov. 1559.
John Ramridge, dean and archd. of Derby, imprisoned in 1561, died abroad.
†Anth Draycott, vicar general, preb. of Longdon, depr. 1559.
Hen Comberford, precentor, depr. 1559.
Alban Langdale, chancellor, archd. of Chichester, etc., depr. 1559.
†Thos Chedulton, preb. of Pipa parva, depr. c. 1559.
Geo Palmer, preb. of Wolvey, archd. of York, depr. 1559.
John Stephenson, preb. of Tachbrook, depr. c. 1561.
Edmond Steward, preb. of Offley, dean of Winchester, depr. 1559.

[1] Prebend vacant in Jan. 1560-1 (*Subsidy* 19-509), but Lowe seems to have been preb. of Sandiacre 1559-70. One of this name was depr. of preb. of Fridaythorpe, York, in 1563.
[2] *See* Lichfield, note 20.
[3] Walkeden vacated this prebend in or before March 1559-60, but retained the rectory of Clifton Campville. He subscribed in 1559 (*Gee*, p. 124), but not at Lichfield.
[4] *See* Lichfield, note 6.
[5] Admitted in the reign of Elizabeth, so can scarcely be described as a Marian priest, although Bayne was still in possession of the see.

*†Thos Bolt, preb. of Stalbdl.
*†Arth Dudley, preb. of Colwich.
(*Arth Lowe, preb. of Dernford) ?[1].
*(John Meyrick, preb. of Freeland from 9 Dec. 1558, etc.)?[2]
Hen Swdall, preb. of Tervin.[3]
*†Wm Walsdon, preb. of Whittington.[4]
*Hen Wilslaw, preb. of Dassett parva.[5]

(b) List of those who seem to have conformed, as they are believed to have retained their prebends until 1558 or later.

Wm Broke, preb. of Bishopshull from Oct. 1543. Successor admitted Nov. 1560.
Thos Cranmer, preb. of Elkstan from Nov. 1552. Successor admitted Aug. 1558.
(Edmond Hare, preb. of Gnia major from Feb. 1558–9. Successor admitted May 1560) ?[6]
Leon Hurst, preb. of Lion decani from Dec. 1557. Successor admitted Feb. 1572–3.

(c) List of those deprived of their preferments in 1559 or shortly after.

Ralph Bayne, Dp of Cov. and Lich., depr. 20 June 1559, died 18 Nov. 1559.
John Ramridge, dean and archd. of Derby, imprisoned in 1560, died abroad.
†Arth Draycott, vicar general, preb. of Longdon, depr. 1559.
Hen Cumberford, precentor, depr. 1559.
Alban Langdale, chancellor, archd. of Chichester, etc., depr. 1559.
†Thos Cheadulton, preb. of Prebendary, depr. c. 1559.
Geo Palmer, preb. of Wolvey, archd. of York, depr. 1559.
John Stephenson, preb. of Lichfield, depr. c. 1560.
Edmond Steward, preb. of Offlay, dean of Winchester, depr. 1559.

[1] Prebend vacant in Jan. 1560–1 (probably in 1560, but Lowe seems to have been preb. of Sandiacre 1558–70). One of this name was depr. of preb. of Probendbury, York, in 1561.
[2] See Lichfield, note 20.
[3] Wadsdale vacated the prebend as early as Mich. 1559, but retained the rectory of Chilton Cantelo. He subscribed in 1559 (see p. 9), but not at Lichfield.
[4] See Lichfield, note 6.
[5] Admitted in the reign of Elizabeth, so can scarcely be described as a Marian priest, although Bayne was still in possession of the see.

(d) *List of those who probably did not conform, as they vacated their preferments between* 1559 *and* 1563, *and they are not known to have received other preferments or to have died between these dates.*

Wm Hill, archd. of Salop and preb. of Weeford.[1] Successor appointed Nov. 1561.

Mich Ansty, preb. of Sandiacre from June 1554. Successor appointed 1559.

Wm Derley, preb. of Ufton cantoris from 1522. Successor appointed 1 Feb. 1560–1.

†Wm Manley, preb. of Curborough from Mar. 1555–6. Successor appointed 26 May 1559.

Elizeus Heywood, preb. of Eccleshall from May 1554.[2] Successor appointed June 1564.

Hen Hilton, preb. of Ryton from 1545.[3] Successor appointed Jan. 1559–60.

Thos Lewyn, preb. of Gaia minor from Ap. 1558. Successor appointed Sep. 1561.

*†(Robt Sutton, preb. of Bobenhall from 1554. Successor appointed Ap. 1563) ?

Wm Thompson, preb. of Wellington from 1541. Successor appointed Jan. 1559–60.

Rich Weaver, preb. of Hansacre from 1554.[4] Successor appointed July 1561.

(e) *Supplementary.*

John Blithe, archd. of Coventry, died c. Nov. 1558, and was succeeded c. 1560 by Thos. Lever, B.D., who had been preacher to King Edward VI.

Eleven of the vicars choral subscribed on 22 Sep. 1559, while the commissioners were at Lichfield, and only one seems to have resigned without subscribing. Two of the eleven subsequently became succentors; the after-career of the remainder is not known. (*See* the Lichfield notes for their names.)

[1] *See* Longdon, note 2.
[2] Heywood is said to have been a Jesuit at Louvain in 1574 (*D.N.B.*).
[3] Lichfield, note 19.
[4] One R. Wever of this diocese subscribed in 1559 (*Gee*, p. 124), but not at Lichfield.

(d) List of those who probably did not conform, as they resigned their preferments between 1559 and 1565, and they are not known to have received other preferments or to have died between these dates.

Wm Hill, archd. of Salop and preb. of Wenlock.[1] Successor appointed Nov. 1561.

Mich Ansty, preb. of Sandiacre from June 1554. Successor appointed 1559.

Wm Derby, preb. of Litton cantorum from 1554. Successor appointed 1 Feb. 1560-1.

†Wm Manley, preb. of Carborough from Mar. 1555-6. Successor appointed 20 May 1559.

Eliezus Heywood, preb. of Freckenhall from May 1554.[2] Successor appointed June 1564.

Hen Hilton, preb. of Ryton from 1545.[3] Successor appointed Jan. 1559-60.

Thos Lewyn, preb. of Gala minor from Ap. 1558. Successor appointed Sep. 1561.

*†Robt Sutton, preb. of Dobenhall from 1554. Successor appointed Ap. 1561.

Wm Thompson, preb. of Wellington from 1541. Successor appointed Jan. 1559-60.

Rich Weaver, preb. of Hansacre from 1554.[4] Successor appointed July 1561.

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[1] Sir Langdon note.
[2] Heywood is said to have been a lecturer at Louvain in 1559 (D.N.B.).
[3] Lichfield, note 19.
[4] One R. Weaver of this diocese subscribed in 1559 (see p. xxxi) but not at Lichfield.

EPISCOPALIAN AND COMMONWEALTH CONFORMISTS

In the following lists an attempt is made to give the names and benefices of the episcopally ordained clergymen in Staffordshire who conformed more or less to the requirements of Parliament during the Civil War and the Interregnum, and also of those who did not so conform. The last four lists deal with the conformists and nonconformists in 1662.

The Interregnum.

It must not be assumed that all the episcopalian clergy who are described as "conformists" yielded full obedience to the ordinances of Parliament. It is probable that some of them in the secluded villages continued to use the Book of Common Prayer in secret, and a few certainly continued to baptize children throughout this period, and perhaps even to marry people with the old service.[1]

Still, there must have been some degree, or at any rate some appearance, of conformity to the law for ministers to have retained their livings, and it seems therefore correct to describe them as "conformists."

List 1 (as corrected)[2] gives the names of 76 episcopalian conformists, List 2 the names of 12 episcopalian nonconformists, and List 3 the names of 20 doubtful episcopalian nonconformists.

Eliminating the 20 doubtful cases, the percentage is 86·4 conformists and 13·6 nonconformists; including the doubtfuls, the percentage is 70·4 conformists, 29·6 nonconformists; the averages of these two percentages being 78·4 conformists, 21·6 nonconformists.

In other words, it seems probable that nearly four out of five of the episcopalian clergy conformed more or less during the Commonwealth period.

The Restoration.

List 4 gives the names of 70 ministers during the Commonwealth who conformed to the episcopalian settlement of 1662 (of these some 41 had probably received episcopal ordi-

[1] *See* Milwich, Patshull, Haughton, etc.
[2] *See* List 1 (f).

nation before the Civil War); List 5 the names of 4 doubtful conformists; List 6 the names of 53 ejected ministers; List 7 the names of 16 ministers who may have been ejected. Eliminating the doubtful cases in Lists 5 and 7, the percentage is 57 conformists, 43 ejected; including the doubtful cases the percentage is 51·7 conformists, 48·3 ejected; the averages of these two percentages being 54 conformists, 46 ejected.

If the 41 episcopalians and Lists 5 and 7 be excluded, the percentage of ministers appointed during the Commonwealth who conformed to the 1662 settlement is only 34·6 compared with 65·4 who were ejected.

In other words, it seems probable that about two-thirds of the genuine Commonwealth ministers were ejected soon after the Restoration.

LIST 1

THE CONFORMING EPISCOPALIAN CLERGYMEN

This list is confined to incumbents who were in possession of their benefices or were acting as curates before 1643, as those who were appointed in or after that year may not have been ordained by a bishop.

(a) *Fourteen incumbents who held their livings throughout the Commonwealth period and until* 1664 *or afterwards. All these occur again in List* 4.

Ralph Astle, Sandon.
Rich Bathoe, ob. 1663, Patshull.
Francis Cooke, Yoxall.
Robt Dowley, Elford.
Thos Fletcher, Haughton.
John Hanson, Himley.
? Thos Hubbock, Lichfield, S. Michael.
John Lightfoot, Ashley.
Josiah Lightfoot, curate of Ashley.
John Mainwaring, Stoke-on-Trent.
Nich Paston, Kingswinford.
Rich Pretty, Aldridge.
Jas Shaw, Milwich.
Sam Woolaston, Thorpe Constantine.

(b) *Four incumbents who remained in possession until* 1661.

Gawin Hamilton, Alstonefield.
Wm Jennings, Church Eaton.
Robt Lyon, Pipe Ridware.
John Mackmath, Harborne.

mation before the Civil War; List 5 the names of 4 doubtful conformists; List 6 the names of 53 elected ministers; List 7 the names of 18 ministers who may have been elected. Eliminating the doubtful cases in Lists 5 and 7, the percentage is 57 conformists, 43 elected; including the doubtful cases the percentage is 51.7 conformists, 48.3 elected; the averages of these two percentages being 54 conformists, 46 elected.

If the 42 episcopalians and Lists 5 and 7 be excluded, the percentage of ministers appointed during the Commonwealth who conformed to the new settlement is only 41.6 compared with 65.4 who were ejected.

In other words it seems probable that about two-thirds of the genuine Commonwealth ministers were ejected soon after the Restoration.

LIST 1

THE CONFORMING EPISCOPALIAN CLERGYMEN

This list is confined to incumbents who were in possession of their benefices or were acting as curates before 1662; as those who were appointed in or after that year may not have been ordained by a bishop.

(a) Former incumbents who held their livings throughout the Commonwealth period and until 1662 or afterwards. All these occur again in List 4.

Ralph Astle, Sandon.
Rich. Hathers, ob. 1663, Pattshull.
Francis Cooke, Yoxall.
Robt Dowley, Tilford.
Thos Hatcher, Hughton.
John Hanson, Frimley.
Thos Hubbard, Lichfield, S. Michael.
John Lightfoot, Ashley.
Josiah Lightfoot, curate of Ashley.
John Mainwaring, Stoke-on-Trent.
Nich Paston, Kingswinford.
Rich Pretty, Alfreton.
Jas Shaw, Mitwich.
Sam. Woolston, Thorpe Constantine.

(b) Former incumbents who remained in possession until 1662:

Gawin Hamilton, Alstonfield.
Wm Jennings, Church Eaton.
Robt Lyon, Tipton Holyhead.
John Mackenzie, Hartpence.

(c) *Twenty-seven other incumbents who are officially returned as ministers of their several parishes in the winter of* 1651-2.

Thos Badderley, Eccleshall.
Thos Beiston, Tettenhall.
John Bowyer, Biddulph.
John Creeke, Bramshall.
Geo Dixon, Gayton.
Simon Dudson, Seighford.
Robt Dyott, Darlaston.
? Ant Fowke, Enville.
Gilbert Galamore, Colwich.
Edw Holbrook, Forton.
Robt Holme, Longnor chapel.
Rich Holte, Rushall.
Ant Horridge, Tutbury.
Ralph Hulme, Betley chapel
Christopher Hunt, Colton.
Thos Lightfoot, Uttoxeter.
Gilbert Littleton, Handsworth.
John Lyneall, Stafford, Castle church.
Robt Marchenton, Maer.
Thos Mountney, Ilam.
Wm Parkes, Sedgley.
Thos Pyott, Stowe-by-Chartley.
Nath Royle, Mucklestone.
Ithiel Smart, Wombourn.
Hen Stubbs, Blore Ray.
Geo Taylor, Kingsley.
Hen Taylor, Barlaston.

(d) *A "reader" in* 1620, *described by the committee for plundered ministers as a learned and orthodox divine in* 1646.

John Cross, Kinver.

(e) *Fourteen incumbents who changed their benefices between* 1645 *and* 1650 *and apparently conformed.*

Thos Adams, Rushton chapel—Trentham.
Robt Ashton, curate of Colwich—Bednall.
Wm Barton, Mayfield—London—Leicester.
Thos Blake, Tamworth—Shrewsbury—Tamworth.
Rich Bourne, Thursfield chapel—Cannock—Walsall.
Wm Chandler, Brewood—Bushbury.
Rich Chapman, Leigh—Thorneton.
Deliverance Fennyhouse, Stone—Leigh.
Geo Hambleton, Warslow chapel—Butterton.
Rich Hunt, Walsall—Chester.
John Jackson, Madeley—Lapley.
Isaac Keeling, Burslem chapel—Wolstanton.
? Sam Smith, Penn—Kinver.
Thos Pickin, curate of Blithfield—Swynnerton.

(f) *Twelve incumbents who died between July* 1646 *and* 1649.

The use of the Common Prayer Book was forbidden by Parliament in August 1645, so their conformity is more or less probable. In the introduction to this section it is only assumed that 8 of these conformed, as the attitude of those who died in 1646 and 1647 is very uncertain.

?? John Balcanquell, ob. Feb. 1646–7, Tatenhill.
?? Francis Birch, ob. Jan. 1646–7, Edingale.
Francis Bowyer, ob. Nov. 1648, Leek.
John Buckberry, ob. Nov. 1649, Drayton Bassett.
Thos Bury, ob. May 1649, Norbury.
Alex Howe, ob. c. Nov. 1649, Caverswall and Draycott-in-the-moors.
Thos James, ob. Oct. 1649, Blymhill.
John Langton, ob. Sep. 1648, Mavesyn Ridware.
Rich Lee, ob. 1648, Wolverhampton.
John Morton, ob. Dec. 1649, Sheriff Hales.
?? John Newton, ob. c. Apr. 1647, Berkswich.
?? Nich Richardson, ob. July, 1646, Newcastle chapel.

(g) *Eight other probable conformists. See the notes in each parish for particulars.*

Walter Bromsgrove, curate at Cheadle—Abbots Bromley.
Edw Cowper, Marston—Ellenhall.
Wm Grace, Shenstone.
Edw Lane, curate of Aldridge—West Bromwich.
John Thacker, Gratwich.
Chris Turner, curate of Cheadle—Grindon.
Wm Wilson, Himley—Pelsall.
John Presbury, Hanbury.

LIST 2

THE NONCONFORMING EPISCOPALIAN CLERGYMEN

Twelve incumbents who were sequestered or ejected from their benefices by parliament and who did not subsequently conform.

? John Cank, Eccleshall, Chapel Chorlton chapel, ob. at Forton.
Thos Cantrell, Dilhorne.

(f) Twelve incumbents who died between July 1646 and 1649.

The use of the Common Prayer Book was forbidden by Parliament in August 1645, so their conformity is more or less probable. In the introduction to this section it is only assumed that 8 of these conformed, as the attitude of those who died in 1646 and 1647 is very uncertain.

?? John Balcanquall, ob. Feb. 1646-7, Tatenhill.
?? Francis Bilech, ob. Jan. 1646-7, Ridlingale.
Francis Bowyer, ob. Nov. 1645, Leek.
John Buckberry, ob. Nov. 1649, Drayton Bassett.
Thos Bury, ob. May 1649, Norbury.
Alex Howe, ob. c. Nov. 1646, Cynewaall and Draycott-in-the-moors.
Thos James, ob. Oct. 1649, Blymhill.
John Langton, ob. Sep. 1648, Maxstoke Kildware.
Rich Lee, ob. 1648, Wolverhampton.
John Morton, ob. Dec. 1649, Sheriff Hales.
?? John Newton, ob. c. Apr. 1647, Bedlewich.
?? Nich Richardson, ob. July 1646, Newcastle chapel.

(g) Eight other probable conformists. See the notes in each parish for particulars.

Walter Bromsgrove, curate at Cheadle—Abbots Bromley.
Edw Cowper, Marston—Elmhall.
Wm Grace, Sheriffhales.
Edw Lane, curate of Aldridge—West Bromwich.
John Thacker, Cranwich.
Chris Turner, curate of Cheadle—Cotheldon.
Wm Wilson, Himley—Pelsall.
John Pressbury, Hanbury.

LIST 2

THE NONCONFORMING EPISCOPALIAN CLERGY

Twelve incumbents who were sequestered or ejected from their benefices by Parliament and who did not subsequently conform.

? John Cank, Ecclesiall, Chapel Choulton chapel, ob. at Forton.
Thos Cantrell, Dilhorne.

Roger Fleetwood, Hanbury.
Hen Gilbert, Clifton Campville.
Hen Goche, Cheadle.
Hugh Humphreys, Longdon.
Ant Huxley, Abbots Bromley.
Wm Kellsall, Audley.
Rich Shelley, Wolstanton.
? John Starsmore, Ingestre.
Nath Williams, High Offley.
The vicar of Penkridge.

LIST 3

VERY DOUBTFUL CASES OF NONCONFORMING EPISCOPALIAN CLERGYMEN

(a) *Fifteen incumbents who are known to have been in possession of their benefices in one or more years between* 1640 *and* 1644 *and who vacated them from some unknown cause between* 1645 *and* 1650. *Some of these vacancies were no doubt due to death.*

Edw Archer, curate of Enville.
John Beardmore, Blithfield.
Thos Bentley, Rocester.
Walter Biddulph, Rolleston.
John Bould, Alrewas.
John Coles, Weeford.
Rich Dolphine, Wednesbury.
? John Folkingham, Burton-on-Trent.
John Greenwood, Standon.
Jas Osborne, Bilston chapel.
Jas Povy, Lichfield, S. Mary.
Rich Rhodes, Kingstone.
Symon Savage, Weston-on-Trent.
John Wood, Clent.
Jonathan Yates, Bradeley.

(b) *Five incumbents whose livings were sequestered by parliament, but who subsequently acted as ministers during the Interregnum in small villages, where it is possible they may have continued to use the Prayer Book.*

Daniel Bayley, Stafford—Tixall—Stafford.
Rich Harrison, Lichfield—Tettenhall—Blithfield—Lichfield.

John Hill, Ellastone—Rocester.
Robt Hilton, Lapley—Tong—Lapley.
Thos Mason, Chebsey—Ellenhall with Ronton—Chebsey.

LIST 4

THE CONFORMING COMMONWEALTH MINISTERS

(a) *Sixty-six Commonwealth ministers who continued to hold benefices in Staffordshire in and after* 1664 *and so must have conformed in* 1662. *Twenty-five of these—marked* *—*had been ordained by a bishop, as they had held a benefice before the Commonwealth period;* 10 *of these—marked* (*?)—*probably had been so ordained, judging from the dates at which they took their degrees, etc.;* 5 *of these—marked*†—*are somewhat doubtful, in* 3 *cases because their conformity to the Commonwealth regime is uncertain and in* 2 *cases because of their identity;* 9 *of these—marked* **—*were ordained by Bp Hackett in* 1662 *or* 1663; 17 *of these—with no mark before their names—conformed, but when or where they were ordained is not known.*

Of these 66 *ministers,* 38 *had probably received episcopal ordination before the Interregnum,* 28 *probably had not.*

*Thos Adams, Rushton—Blurton—Trentham.
Joseph Ainge, Handsworth.
*Wm Armett, Alton—Biddulph.
*Ralph Astle, Sandon.
*Daniel Bailey, Stafford—Tixall and Stafford.
*Rich Bathoe, Patshull.
**Edw Beardmore, Whitmore—Keele.
(*?)Francis Birch, Barton—Harlaston.
*Rich Bourne, Thursfield—Cannock—Walsall.
**Lancelot Bromwich, Enville.
*Wm Chandler, Brewood—Bushbury.
*Francis Cooke, Yoxall.
Robt Darwin, Weston-on-Trent—Stowe.
*Laurence Dawson, Uttoxeter—Bramshall.
**John Dolman, Brewood—Wombourn.
*Robt Dowley, Elford.
Thos Dresser, Thursfield—Dilhorne.
Mich Edge, Uttoxeter.
**Rich Emery, Shareshill—Brewood.
*Deliverance Fennyhouse, Leigh.

John Hill, Ellastone—Rocester.
Robt Hilton, Lapley—Tong—Lapley.
Thos Mason, Chebsey—Ellenhall with Ranton—Chebsey.

LIST *

THE CONFORMING COMMONWEALTH MINISTERS

(a) Sixty-six Commonwealth ministers who continued to hold benefices in Staffordshire in and after 1662 and so must have conformed in 1662. Twenty-five of these—marked *—had been ordained by a bishop, as they had had a benefice before the Commonwealth period; 10 of these—marked (*2)—probably had been so ordained, judging from the dates at which they took their degrees, etc.; 5 of these—marked ?—are somewhat doubtful, in 3 cases because their conformity in the Commonwealth regime is uncertain and in 2 cases because of their identity; 9 of these—marked **—were ordained by the Presbyterians in 1662; 17 of these—with no mark before their names—conformed, but when or where they were ordained is not known.

Of these 66 ministers, 38 had probably received episcopal ordination before the Commonwealth, 28 probably had not.

*Thos Adams, Rushton—Hilton—Tremham.
Joseph Alage, Handsworth.
*Wm Arnett, Alton—Biddulph.
*Ralph Astle, Sandon.
*Daniel Bailey, Stafford—Tixall and Stafford.
*Rich Bailey, Penkridge.
**Edw Baumann, Wilbnore—Keele.
(*2) Francis Birch, Barton—Barlaston.
*Rich Bourne, Thursfield—Cannock—Walsall.
**Lancelot Brunwick, Ranville.
*Wm Chandler, Ingwood—Rushbury.
*Francis Cooke, Yoxall.
Robt Darwin, Weston-on-Trent—Stowe.
*Laurence Dawson, Uttoxeter—Bramshall.
**John Dolman, Brewood—Wombourn.
*Robt Dowley, Elford.
Thos Dresser, Chatsfield—Dilhorne.
Rich Edge, Uttoxeter.
**Rich Emery, Shareshill—Brewood.
*Deliverance Tempyeance, Leigh.

*Thos Fletcher, Haughton.
John Greensmith, Stafford—Colwich
Wm Greenwood, High Offley.
*John Hanson, Himley.
Geo Harding, Whittingham.
†*Rich Harrison, Lichfield—Tettenhall—Blithfield.
John Hilton, Barr.
(*?)Nath Hinde, Penkridge.
(*?)Thos Hinkley, Croxden and Bradley-in-the-moors.
†*Thos Hubbock, Lichfield.
(*?)Wm Jennings, Church Eaton.
(*?)Thos Jones, Rugeley.
*Isaac Keeling, Burslem—Wolstanton.
John Kelsall, Betley—Audley.
Sam Langley, Swettenham—Tamworth.
(*?)Rich Leaves, Forton.
*John Lightfoot, Ashley.
*Josiah Lightfoot, curate of Ashley.
(*?)Roger Linch, Norton Canes.
*John Mainwaring, Stoke-on-Trent.
†*Thos Mason, Chebsey—Ellenhall—Chebsey.
**Nath Mott, Longdon—Abbots Bromley—Lapley.
Ralph Murhall, Talk—Barlaston.
(*?)Edw Nevill, Standon.
**John Nicken, Blymhill.
*Gabriel Offley, Mucklestone.
*Nich Paston, Kingswinford.
*Rich Pretty, Aldridge.
Hum Repton, Weston-on-Trent—Norton-in-the-moors.
**Francis Rowley, Chapel.Chorlton—Codsall.
John Saunders, Colton.
*James Shaw, Milwich.
†Wm Shaw, Broughton—Mavesyn Ridware—Mucklestone.
†John Smith, Audley—Draycott-in-the-moors—Tutbury—Grindon.
(*?)Wm Southall, Pattingham.
Devereux Spencer, Cheadle.
*Robt Spencer, Bradeley.
*John Stephenson, Burslem.
Josiah Stubbs, Blore Ray—Kingsley.
Hen Thompson, Fradswell—Marston.

**Matt Thornton, Ingestre.
Robt Tompson, Waterfall—Caldon.
*Christopher Turner, Grindon.
*Sam Woolaston, Thorpe Constantine.
(*?)Chas Wynne, Penn.
**Wm Yates, Blore Ray.

(b) *Four ministers who held benefices in Staffordshire during the Interregnum and who conformed and held benefices outside the county subsequently.*

*Wm Barton, Mayfield—London—Leicester.
(*?)Christopher Comyn, Norbury—Prees.
*Wm Langley, Ellastone—Cheadle—Lichfield—Wellington—Stoke-on-Tern.
**Abram Smith, Ellastone—Osmaston.

LIST 5

VERY DOUBTFUL CASES OF CONFORMING COMMONWEALTH MINISTERS

Four ministers who are known to have been in possession of their benefices in 1661, *before their ordination by Bp Hackett, and who may have been there in the Commonwealth period*

**Thos Aspinall, Blurton.
**Thos Broad, Alton—Swynnerton.
**Thos Reynolds, Gnosall.
**Joseph Shilton, Burton.

LIST 6

THE NONCONFORMING COMMONWEALTH MINISTERS

(a) *Forty-seven ministers who left or were ejected from their benefices in Staffordshire circa* 1660–2. *Two of these—marked * —had probably received episcopal ordination ; 8 of these—marked* (*?)*—had perhaps received it. All of them are named by Calamy except Bott, Burford, Wild and the vicar of Biddulph.*

Rich Astley, Stowe.
Thos Badland, Willenhall chapel.
(*?)Thos Bakewell, Rolleston.
Thos Baldwin, Clent.

**Matt Thornton, Ingestre.
Robt Tompson, Waterfall—Calden.
*Christopher Turner, Cardon.
*Sam Woolaston, Thorpe Constantine.
(*?)Chas Wynne, Fenn.
**Wm Yates, Elbre Ray.

(b) Four ministers who had benefices in Staffordshire during the Interregnum and who conformed but had benefices outside the county subsequently.

*Wm Barton, Mayfield—London—Lincoln.
(*?)Christopher Bunyan, Norbury—Fren.
*Wm Langley, Tillington—Cheadle—Lichfield—Wellington—Stoke-on-Tern.
**Abram Smith, Ellastone—Clemsham.

LIST 5

VERY DOUBTFUL CASES OF CONFORMING COMMONWEALTH MINISTERS

Four ministers who are known to have been in possession of their benefices in 1661, before their ordination by the Heads, and who may have been there in the Commonwealth period.

**Thos Aspinall, Elburton.
**Thos Broad, Alton—Swyncerton.
**Thos Reynolds, Cnossall.
**Joseph Shilton, Burton.

LIST 6

THE NONCONFORMING COMMONWEALTH MINISTERS

(a) Forty-seven ministers who left or were ejected from their benefices in Staffordshire since 1662. Two of these—marked * —had probably received episcopal ordination; 8 of them—marked (*?)—had perhaps received it. All of them are named by Calamy except Bell, Burgess, Wild and the sons of Biddulph.

Rich Astley, Stowe.
Thos Badland, Willenhall chapel.
(*?)Thos Bakewell, Rolleston.
Thos Baldwin, Clent.

Hen Bee, Hanbury.
Thos Bladen, Barton chapel—Adbaston—Alrewas.
Wm Bott, Caverswall.
Thos Brookes, Hints.
Noah Bryan, Stafford.
*Hen Burford, Tatenhill.
John Butler, Lichfield.
(*??)Thos Buxton, Tettenhall.
(*?)Hen Byard, Barton chapel.
Rich Chauntry, Weeford.
(*?)Rich Cleyton, Lichfield—Weston-under-Lizard—Wolverhampton—Seighford.
Geo Cross, Clifton Campville.
. . . Davenport, Thursfield chapel.
Joseph Eccleshall, Sedgley.
Wm Fincher, Wednesbury.
Thos Ford, curate of Clifton Campville.
Timothy Fox, Drayton Bassett.
*Wm Grace, Shenstone.
John Greensmith, Colwich.
Ralph Hall, Newcastle chapel—Maer.
Sam Hall, Barlaston.
Rich Hilton, West Bromwich.
Rich Hinckes, Tipton.
Geo Longe, Newcastle chapel.
Nath Mansfield, Armitage.
Thos Miles, Onecote—Lichfield.
Thos Morton, Kinver.
John Mott, Kings Bromley.
(*?)Sampson Newton, Chebsey—Weston-under-Lizard.
John Nott, Sheriff Hales.
Thos Pool, Talk chapel.
Wm Rocke, Mayfield.
(*?)Joseph Sond, Newcastle chapel—Swynnerton.
Wm Southall, Berkswich.
Rich Swinfen, Mavesyn Ridware.
. . . Toogood, Bloxwich chapel.
Wm Turton, Rowley Regis chapel.
(*?)Robt Wild, Tatenhill.
(*?)Thos Willesby, Wombourn.
Wm Wilson, Pelsall chapel.

Han Bee, Hanbury.
Thos Bladen, Barton chapel—Alleston—Alnewa.
Wm Bott, Caverswall.
Thos Brooks, Hints.
Noah Bryan, Stafford.
*Han Burlem, Tatenhill.
John Butler, Lichfield.
(*?) Thos Buxton, Tatenhall.
(*?) Han Byard, Barton chapel.
Rich Chamberlayn, Wedford.
(*?) Nich Clayton, Lichfield—Weston-under-Lizard—Wolver-
hampton—Sedgfield.
Geo Cross, Clifton Campville.
. . . Davenport, Thinsfield chapel.
Joseph Mosleshall, Sedgley.
Wm Finder, Wednesbury.
Thos Fordcurate of Clifton Campville.
Timothy Fox, Drayton Bassett.
*Wm Grace, Shenstone.
John Greenhalgh, Colwich.
Ralph Hall, Newcastle chapel—Mace.
Sam Hall, Harlaston.
Rich Hilton, West Bromwich.
Rich Hinckes, Tipton.
Geo Longe, Newcastle chapel.
Nath Mansfield, Armitage.
Thos Miles, Onecote—Lichfield.
Thos Morton, Kinver.
John Mort, Kings Bromley.
(*?) Sampson Newton, Clebsey—Weston-under-Lizard.
John Nott, Sheriff Hales.
Thos Pool, Tally chapel.
Wm Rocke, Mayfield.
(*?) Joseph Sand, Newcastle chapel—Swynnerton.
Wm Southall, Heckswich.
Rich Swinton, Malvern Hardware.
. . . Toogood, Bloxwich chapel.
Wm Turton, Rowley Regis chapel.
(*?) Robt Wild, Tatenhill.
(*?) Thos Willesby, Wombourn.
Wm Wilson, Tolsall chapel.

. . . Woolrich, Chebsey.
Rich ? York, Rushall.
. . . . . ., the vicar of Biddulph.

(b) *Six ministers who had held benefices in Staffordshire, but had moved out of the county and were ejected from the benefices they then held circa* 1662.

John Beebee, Kingstone—Tidswell—Sheldon.
Zach Crofton, Newcastle—Dilhorne—Wrenbury—London.
Rich Dowley, curate of Elford—Stoke Prior.
Geo Reeve, Caverswall—Donnington.
Francis Tallent, Lichfield—Shrewsbury.
Andrew Tristram, Clent—Bridgenorth.

LIST 7

VERY DOUBTFUL CASES OF NONCONFORMING COMMONWEALTH MINISTERS

Sixteen ministers who were in possession of their benefices during the closing years of the Interregnum and who vacated them from some unknown cause before 1665.

Some of these vacancies were probably due to death—e.g., Lyneall & Lyon. Those marked * had received episcopal ordination, those marked (*?) had perhaps received it.

Wm Bromsgrove, Weston-on-Trent.
Rich Edge, Horton.
(*?) John Hall, Gnosall.
*Gawin Hamilton, Alstonefield.
(*?) John Jackson, Lapley.
*John Lyneall, Castle Church, Stafford.
*Robt Lyon, Pipe Ridware.
*John Mackmath, Harborne.
Rich Morrall, Acton Trussell.
(*?) Wm Overton, Audley.
John Reynolds, Wolverhampton.
Thos Rushton, Fulford chapel.
Philip Sharp, Armitage—Burton-on-Trent.
Caleb Stopford, S. Chad's, Stafford.
Ralph Strettell, Shareshill.
(*??) Thos Wynmell, Leek.

. . . Woolrich, Chelsey.
Rich ? York, Rushall.
. . . . . the vicar of Biddulph.

(b) Six ministers who had held benefices in Staffordshire, but had moved out of the county and were cleared from the benefices they then held since 1662.

John Beebee, Kingstone—Tidswell—Sheldon.
Zach Crofton, Newcastle—Dilhorne—Wrenbury—London.
Rich Dowley, curate of Ilford—Stoke Prior.
Geo Reeve, Cavenswall—Donnington.
Francis Tallent, Litchfield—Shrewsbury.
Andrew Tristram, Clent—Bridgenorth.

LIST 2

VERY DOUBTFUL CASES OF NONCONFORMING COMMONWEALTH MINISTERS

Sixteen ministers who were in possession of their benefices during the closing years of the Interregnum and who vacated them from some unknown cause before 1665.

Some of these vacancies were probably due to death—e.g. Lyneall & Lyon. Those marked * had received episcopal ordination, those marked (*?) had perhaps received it.

Wm Bromsgrove, Weston-on-Trent.
Rich Edge, Horton.
(*?) John Hall, Gnosall.
*Gawin Hamilton, Alstonefield.
(*?) John Jackson, Langley.
*John Lyneall, Castle Church, Stafford.
*Robt Lyon, Pipe Ridware.
*John Mackmath, Hanborne.
Rich Morrall, Acton Trussell.
(*?) Wm Overton, Audley.
John Reynolds, Wolverhampton.
Thos Rudston, Bradford chapel.
Philip Sharp, Armitage—Burton-on-Trent.
Caleb Stopford, S. Chad's, Stafford.
Ralph Strettell, Shareshill.
(*?) Thos Wynnell, Leek.

ADVOWSONS

No attempt has been made to deal with these, as they mostly belonged to a manor and pertain to its secular history, but the names of a few patrons are given from the diocesan register and the Commonwealth manuscripts. The advowsons of the peculiars all belonged to the dean, chapter, or prebendary to which they were appropriate, though in some cases they were leased with the tithes to laymen.

CLERICAL INCOMES

The returns of 1602 and 1604 give the salaries or the actual value of the benefices of 137 clergy, 127 incumbents and 10 curates. According to these returns, less than 30 per cent. of the clergy had incomes of 30*l.* and upwards and nearly one-half of them had less than 11*l.* per annum.[1] Comparing these incomes with those stated in the orders of the committee for plundered ministers, it appears that in 9 cases the incomes had decreased during these 40 years, in 7 cases they were about the same, in 12 cases there was a moderate increase and in 9 cases a large increase, the incomes in this last class being doubled, trebled, quadrupled, etc.

THE COMMONWEALTH AUGMENTATIONS

The committee for plundered ministers and their successors attempted to increase these low incomes and issued orders to augment the salaries of the ministers in 62 churches and 10 chapels of ease, as is detailed in the notes; but these orders were constantly being changed, and in some cases it is probable that the ministers did not receive the augmentations ordered.

[1] There was 1 living (Tatenhill) worth £140 p.a., 3 (Enville, Forton and Leigh) worth 100*l.*, 2 worth 80*l.*, 3 worth 66*l.*, 7 worth 60*l.*, 1 worth 50*l.*, 8 worth 40*l.*, 1 worth 32*l.*, 15 worth 30*l.*, 6 worth 26*l.*, 2 worth 24*l.*, 10 worth 20*l.*, 3 worth 16*l.*, 5 (including 1 chapel) worth 13*l.*, 1 worth 12*l.*, 1 worth 11*l.*, 9 (including 1 chapel) worth 10*l.*, 9 (including 1 chapel) worth 8*l.*, 5 (including 2 chapels) worth about 7*l.*, 12 (including 4 chapels) worth 6*l.*, 10 worth about 5*l.*, 5 (including 4 chapels) worth 4*l.*, 3 worth 3*l.*, 2 chapels worth 2*l.*, while the incumbent of the chapel at Warslow had 1*l.* and food, at Billington 5*s.* 4*d.* and at Talk 4*s.* 0*d.*

One assistant curate had a salary of 11*l.*, 2 had 10*l.*, 4 had 8*l.*, and 3 had 3*l.* p.a.

The amounts stated in these two returns frequently differ to the extent of a few pence or shillings, which shows that they must have been compiled independently and considerably increases their general reliability.

A few clerical inventories are printed on pp. 393, 394, so as to give some idea of the value of money at this period and the style in which incumbents lived.

Between 1645 and 1653 all these augmentations were made by parliament, which usually acted on the recommendation of one of the many committees that had been set up to deal with ecclesiastical questions. The chief of these committees was that known as "The committee for plundered ministers," which was originally set up on 31 Dec. 1642 to consider how best to relieve the distress "of such good and well-affected ministers as have been plundered" by the King's army, and also of how these might supply the cures and receive the profits of malignant ministers who had left their charges to join the King's army.[1] It soon obtained much wider powers and practically became a board of ecclesiastical commissioners for a completely disestablished and a partially disendowed church. Thus from July 1643 it had the power of nominating clergy to livings in the gift of malignants; it deprived "scandalous and delinquent ministers" of their cures, usually after an enquiry had been held by the local parliamentary county committee or by a local sub-committee of its own; it had to provide for the taking of the Solemn League and Covenant throughout the country, to settle questions of heretical doctrine and holidays, also at a later date cases of preaching without licence, the employment of the Book of Common Prayer or the disregard of the Directory, etc., etc.

Perhaps the chief work of this committee was the granting of augmentations to ministers whose salaries were insufficient. Until 1649 the money to pay these augmentations principally came from the estates of compounding delinquents and especially from any spiritualities—such as rectories or tithes—that were owned by them, and up to 1650 the actual payment was made by various bodies of sequestrators, who acted under the direction of the committee for compounding, which sat at Goldsmiths' Hall.

It was part of the duty of the committee for plundered ministers to see that these augmentations were paid, and also that their nominees to any sequestered livings received the income of the same, so that it was often brought into close relations with the Goldsmiths' Hall committee.

On 9 Oct. 1646 an ordinance passed both houses of Parliament for abolishing the government of the Church by bishops, etc., and for the sale of their possessions for the use of the Common-

[1] *Commons Journal*, ii, p. 909; cf. *Lords Journal*, v, p. 510.

wealth. This was amended by an ordinance passed a month later, which provided that all the spiritualities of these sees should be applied towards the maintenance of ministers. A similar provision was made in 1649, when the sale of the possessions of all deans and chapters was authorised. Soon after this—viz., on 6 Jan. 1649–50—Parliament established "The trustees for providing maintenance for preaching ministers and other pious uses," and handed over to these trustees the management of the funds thus created, and the actual payment of the augmentations.

Between 24 June 1650 and 21 Ap. 1652 the existing augmentations were reviewed and sometimes altered by the committee for the reformation of the universities, but the activities of this committee did not interfere—at all events in Staffordshire[1]—with the work of the committee for plundered ministers, which continued to make augmentation grants, etc., until its dissolution on 19 Ap. 1653. It was revived by the reassembled Rump on 22 June 1659 and entrusted with most of its old functions, until its final extinction on 16 Mar. 1659–60.

Between Ap. 1653 and June 1659 the augmentations were mainly granted and reviewed from time to time by the aforementioned trustees, whose orders were subject to the approval of the commissioners for the approbation of public preachers.

Sometimes the augmentations were recommended by the Council of State, in which case the trustees merely had the duty of registering or paying them.

The trustees also inherited the power of the plundered ministers' committee to nominate the clergy to those livings that were in the gift of delinquents, including those formerly in the gift of the bishops, but there was no formal interference with private patronage that was in the hands of persons well affected to the Commonwealth. The universities, after they had been "cleansed," continued to exercise their advowson rights, and the Commissioners of the Great Seal and afterwards the Protector succeeded to the advowsons that had belonged to the Crown. Some ministers during this period appear to have been elected by their parishioners, but this seems to have been technically illegal. In such cases probably the consent of the legal patron was afterwards obtained or presumed to

[1] *S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. 1, pp. 285, 300; cf. *Compounding Cal.* p. 2485; *Bod. MS.* 328, etc.

have been obtained. There was, however, a great deal of usurpation of and interference with patronage during the Commonwealth period, and the foregoing résumé only indicates the general lines on which this subject was dealt with.

THE APPROBATION OF MINISTERS

Parliament early realised the necessity for obtaining some certificate of fitness for the ministry that should take the place of the abolished episcopal ordination and institution. Many and various were the schemes proposed by parliament to meet this need, and some of them were tried for a time in various parts of the country. Here, however, it is not necessary to deal with them, for in Staffordshire the general procedure in the case of clergy nominated to livings by any of the aforementioned patrons seems to have been as follows.

In 1645, 1646, and 1647 the presentees had to obtain a certificate of fitness from the Westminster Assembly of Divines.

After this date, and until the establishment of the commissioners for the approbation of public preachers on 24 Mar. 1653–4, it seems probable that the question of their fitness was left to a great extent for the patrons to determine.[1] It is certain that this was the case as regards augmentation grants, as these are frequently stated to have been made to clergy who had approved themselves to the committee that had the duty of recommending them.

The bill that set up the commissioners directed that all clergy who were presented to livings should receive their formal approbation before they could enter upon their benefices, and this bill remained in force throughout the Interregnum. A further proviso made it obligatory upon the clergy appointed between 1 Ap. 1653 and the establishment of the commissioners to obtain their approbation.

The commissioners usually required each applicant for approbation to furnish them with a certificate of his fitness for the ministry, which had to be signed by local ministers who were personally acquainted with the applicant. Many Staffordshire ministers are mentioned in the notes to this work as signing these certificates.

[1] No doubt they all had to sign the Engagement to be faithful to the Commonwealth, and a few are known to have been ordained by the Classical Presbyteries. *See* Index.

Before 1653 the recipients of augmentations were often called upon to furnish similar certificates, though these might be signed by "persons of repute" in their county as well as by "godly" ministers. After 1653 the augmentations granted by the trustees were all subject to the approval of the commissioners.

POPULATION TABLES

The first column gives the number of households in each parish as given in the certificate attributed to 1563. The second, third, and fourth columns give figures taken from the Hearth Tax return for county Stafford, made circa 1665 by Anthony Dorner, Esq. (*Exchequer, K. R. Lay Subsidy, Staffs.*, Bundle 256, No. 31). This valuable return is very nearly perfect and it gives the names of every householder in each constablewick—often divided into its various hamlets, wards or streets—who was chargeable or not chargeable to the Hearth Tax, together with the number of hearths for which the tax was paid. It is in fact an excellent directory of the county of Stafford at this date and ought to be printed *in extenso*. Persons were not chargeable with this tax who did not pay 20*s*. per annum of full improved rent, and in other returns are described as "paupers" or those "certified" as not being chargeable.

In some cases the number of persons returned as non-chargeable seems to be far too small, and one suspects that many of their names have been omitted and that the total number of persons ought to be larger than it is. Hence, in order to make this table more accurate and useful, it has been necessary to specify in each case the number of persons returned as chargeable and not chargeable, so that persons with special local knowledge who are interested in any particular parish may be able to determine whether the total number of householders is possibly too small or not.

In a few cases a constablewick consisted of parts of two or more parishes, and in these cases an apportionment between these parishes has had to be made; but this apportionment has been carefully done, and the errors arising therefrom are probably quite trivial. The town of Lichfield is not given in the aforementioned return, so the figures therefor are taken from an

undated roll of that period. (Bundle 256, No. 35.) The Hammerwich figures are taken from the Assessment of 1673 (Bundle 179, No. 328), and the Wolverhampton figures are also partly taken from this assessment, as there are no non-chargeable persons returned as being within the town of Wolverhampton in the 1665 return.

The figures in the fifth, sixth, and seventh columns are taken from a manuscript book in the William Salt Library, Stafford, called "Ecclesiastical Census, 1676." They are generally supposed to refer to persons over 15 years of age, and, if compared with the 1665 returns, tend to show that there were 3 to 4 adult persons in each household.

The aforementioned certificate shows that there were 9,183 households in the archdeaconry of Stafford and in the peculiars situated within the county of Stafford. To compare these figures with those of 1665, it is necessary to deduct the figures for those parishes in this return which lay outside the county, and also to estimate the number of households in those places omitted from the 1565 return.

The total number of households in all those places, which are mentioned in both the 1563 and 1665 returns, comes to 8,767 and 18,560 respectively, or 47·2 as compared with 100 in 1665.

Estimating the number of households in the places omitted in the 1563 return on this basis, it appears that the total number of households at this date in the county of Stafford was 9,743, as compared with 20,628 in 1665, and with 55,080 inhabited houses in 1811. It must be remembered that the actual number of households in 1665 was probably somewhat larger than the number stated, and it is quite possible that this also may be the case with the return of 1563, so that the following notes on the population must be read with this caution in mind.

The population of Staffordshire seems to have about doubled itself every hundred years between 1563 and 1811.

The following parishes show the greatest increase in their population between 1563 and 1665. The households in Butterton were 17 times more numerous in 1665 than they were in 1563; in Kingswinford about 9 times; in Audley and Burton-on-Trent about 7 times; in Biddulph about 5 times; in Alton, Arley, Hanbury, Leek, Sedgley, Stoke-on-Trent, Whittington

undated roll of that period. (Bundle 250, No. 354). The Hammerwich figures are taken from the Assessment of 1693 (Bundle 129, No. 398), and the Wolverhampton figures are also partly taken from this assessment, as there are no non-chargeable persons returned as being within the town of Wolverhampton in the 1693 return.

The figures in the fifth, sixth, and seventh columns are taken from a manuscript book in the William Salt Library, Stafford, called "Ecclesiastical Census, 1676." They are generally supposed to refer to persons over 15 years of age, and, if compared with the 1695 returns, tend to show that there were 3 to 4 adult persons in each household.

The above-mentioned certificate shows that there were 9263 households in the archdeaconry of Stafford and in the peculiars situated within the county of Stafford. To compare these figures with those of 1695, it is necessary to deduct the figures for those parishes in this return which lay outside the county, and also to estimate the number of households in those places omitted from the 1695 return.

The total number of households in all those places, which are mentioned in both the 1695 and 1695 returns, comes to 8,767 and 18,560 respectively, or 47·2 as compared with 100 in 1695.

Estimating the number of households in the places omitted in the 1695 return on this basis, it appears that the total number of households at this date in the county of Stafford was 9,743, as compared with 20,625 in 1695, and with 57,050 inhabited houses in 1821. It must be remembered that the actual number of households in 1695 was probably somewhat larger than the number stated, and it is quite possible that this also may be the case with the return of 1695, so that the following notes on the population must be read with this caution in mind.

The population of Staffordshire seems to have about doubled itself every hundred years between 1695 and 1821.

The following parishes show the greatest increase in their population between 1695 and 1695. The boroughs in Burton-on-Trent were 17 times more numerous in 1695 than they were in 1695; in Tettenhall about 6 times; in Audley and Burton-on-Trent about 7 times; in Biddulph about 5 times; in Alton, Ashley, Hanbury, Leek, Sedgley, Stoke-on-Trent, Wednesfield,

and Pelsall (Wolverhampton) about 4 times; in Aldridge, Alstonefield, Talk (Audley), Blymhill, Cannock, Darlaston, Enville, Harborne, Kinver, Rushton (Leek), Leigh, Bagnall (Stoke), Bucknall (Stoke), Newcastle (Stoke), Stone, Swynnerton, West Bromwich, Wolstanton and Wombourn about 3 times.

There seems to have been a slight decrease of population in the following places, viz., Adbaston, High Offley, Dunston (Penkridge), Sandon, Tatenhill, Tixall and Yoxall.

It is difficult to account for the large increase which took place in the purely rural areas of Alstonefield, Butterton, Alton, Blymhill, Hanbury, Leigh and Whittington, and the writer ventures to suggest that many households in these districts may not have been enumerated in the 1563 count, perhaps owing to the difficulty of getting about the scattered country parishes.

The other large increases can be accounted for or explained by the rapid growth of the industrial areas near Stoke, in the south of the county and at Burton. A further analysis of these tables shows that the population in purely country districts increased during these hundred years by 40 to 50 per cent., while in towns and industrial districts it increased by 150 to 200 per cent., the increase for the whole county being 112 per cent.

POPULATION TABLES

Places with no sign before their names are reckoned as separate parishes in this book. See pp. xxxi, xxxii.

* Signifies chapels of ease.

† Signifies extra-parochial places.

‡ Signifies townships within the county of Stafford which were part of a parish belonging to another county.

§ Signifies parishes within the archdeaconry, but outside the county of Stafford.

‖ Signifies a detached part of Lichfield parish.

NOTE.—The estimated population in 1563 of places not mentioned in that return is given in the adjustment table.

—	HOUSEHOLDS				1676		
	1563	1665	Persons Chargeable, 1665	Non-chargeable, 1665	Conformists	Nonconformists	Papists
Abbots Bromley (1)	175	240	180	60	506	31	10
Acton Trussell	28	53	31	22	—	—	—
Adbaston	82	69	46	23	—	—	—
Aldridge	32	94	64	30	—	—	—
*Great Barr chapel	43	87	72	15	—	—	—
Alrewas	120	196	137	59	—	—	—
Alstonefield (2)	93	356	225	131			
*Elkstone chapel	16	30	19	11	454	2	1
*Longnor chapel	20	39	25	14			
*Warslow chapel	26	69	43	26			
Alton (3)	30	127	99	28	400	2	14
‡Amblecote	—	62	31	31	—	—	—
Armitage	25	53	42	11	—	—	—
Arley	38	163	90	73	—	—	—
Ashley	32	55	43	12	220	0	0
Audley	32	246	158	88	1,000	40	1
*Betley chapel	46	98	65	33	254	—	—
*Talk chapel	18	50	32	18	—	—	—
‡Balterley	—	35	27	8	—	—	—
Barlaston	20	38	35	3	186	—	—
Bednall	14	21	21	—	—	—	—
Berkswich	46	91	55	36	—	—	—
Biddulph	20	105	74	31	333	12	15
Blithfield	52	57	47	10	—	—	—
Blore Ray (4)	17	27	18	9	152	—	—
Blymhill	16	52	35	17	147	—	2
‡Bobbington	—	48	31	17	—	—	—
Bradeley near Stafford	47	78	62	16	250	6	9
Bramshall	17	31	23	8	97	4	0
Brewood	177	300	209	91	—	—	—
Broom	—	23	14	9	—	—	—
Burton-on-Trent (5)	61	459	277	182	—	—	—
Bushbury	62	133	82	51	—	—	—
Butterton	3	53	32	21	106	0	0
Caldon	19	27	14	13	28	—	—
Calton, included in Croxden, Rocester and Mayfield (6) ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cannock (7)	104	303	188	115	—	—	—

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* Signifies chapelry of ease.

† Signifies extra-parochial place.

‡ Signifies township within the county of Stafford which were part of a parish belonging to another county.

§ Signifies parishes within the archdeaconry, but outside the county of Stafford.

‖ Signifies a detached part of Lichfield parish.

NOTE.—The estimated population in 1801 of places not mentioned in that return is given in the adjustment table.

| | Households | | |

—	HOUSEHOLDS				1676		
	1563	1665	Persons Chargeable, 1665	Non-chargeable, 1665	Conformists	Nonconformists	Papists
†Canwell	—	3	3	—	—	—	—
Caverswall	51	105	81	24	205	7	15
†Chartley Holme	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cheadle	90	207	123	84	1,000	1	4
Chebsey	32	61	42	19	175	10	1
Checkley	69	136	98	38	473	6	39
Cheddleton (12)	57	154	123	31	300	20	6
†Cheslyn Hay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
§Cheswardine (*Salop*)	34	—	—	—	390	—	10
Church Eaton	40	75	57	18	302	—	13
Clifton Campville	37	77	51	26	—	—	—
*Chilcote chapel, co. Derby ...	15	—	—	—	—	—	—
*Harlaston chapel	23	43	26	17	—	—	—
Clent	—	100	62	38	—	—	—
*Rowley Regis chapel	—	250	180	70	—	—	—
Codsall	—	97	60	37	—	—	—
Colton	27	66	52	14	140	30	30
Colwich	128	159	124	35	—	—	—
*Fradswell chapel	21	29	18	11	—	—	—
‡Croxall	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
Croxden	—	35	27	8	—	—	—
Darlaston	42	145	58	87	—	—	—
Dilhorne	46	104	81	23	351	11	2
Draycott-in-the-moors	30	71	43	28	88	12	0
Drayton Bassett (part of), say ...	—	86	41	45	—	—	—
Eccleshall (8)	291	426	284	142	—	—	—
Edingale	17	32	22	10	—	—	—
Elford	41	60	50	10	—	—	—
Ellastone (9)	77	134	120	4 (?)	273	3	24
Ellenhall	20	35	26	9	130	—	—
Enville	41	125	96	29	—	—	—
Farewell	31	49	38	11	—	—	—
Forton	74	79	52	27	255	—	—
Gayton	22	40	33	7	110	—	4
Gnosall (10)	119	266	176	90	—	—	—
Gratwich	15	19	14	5	52	2	—
Grindon	30	77	52	25	156	43	1
Hamstall Ridware	36	47	35	12	—	—	—
Hanbury (11) ... ... } *Marchington chapel	100	485	353	132	—	—	—
Handsworth	—	226	161	65	—	—	—
Harborne	53	152	92	60	—	—	—
*Edgbaston chapel (*Warw.*) ...	33	—	—	—	—	—	—
†Haselour	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Haughton	24	49	34	15	120	2	1
High Offley	72	65	40	25	—	—	—
Himley	18	41	26	15	—	—	—
Hints...	21	42	25	17	—	—	—
Horton	56	105	73	32	322	7	8
Ilam (17)	19	26	19	7	167	6	1
Ingestre	13	18	18	—	63	—	—
Ipstones (12)	40	79	62	17	403	73	12
Kings Bromley	64	90	58	32	—	—	—
Kingsley	59	105	83	22	399	3	1
Kingstone	27	49	32	17	121	—	—
Kingswinford	29	283	182	101	—	—	—
Kinver	75	230	125	105	—	—	—
Lapley	45	77	75	2	250	—	21
Leek (12)	119	523	363	160	2,463	17	—

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—	HOUSEHOLDS				1676		
	1563	1665	Persons Chargeable, 1665	Non-chargeable, 1665	Conformists	Nonconformists	Papists
Leek (12)—*contd.*							
*Rushton chapel	46	143	99	44	116	10	—
Leigh (13*a*)	103	118	93	25	500	—	35
Lichfield, including some of the detached prebends, etc. (13*b*) ...	400	564	439	125	—	—	—
Lichfield, S. Mary's	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lichfield, S. Michael's	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lichfield, *Hammerwich chapel	26	30	21	9	—	—	—
Lichfield, Stowe	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Longdon	102	178	121	57	—	—	—
Madeley	73	129	85	44	402	2	8
Maer	—	57	46	11	—	—	—
‡Market Drayton (Tyrley quarter)...	—	97	74	23	—	—	—
Mavesyn Ridware	36	52	41	11	—	—	—
Mayfield, excluding Butterton ...	35	67	53	14	268	13	2
§Middleton (*Warwickshire*)	62	—	—	—	—	—	—
Milwich	42	86	59	27	192	—	17
Mucklestone (The 1563 figures include the four townships in Salop)	111	118	71	47	640	8	6
Norbury	50	61	52	9	212	3	7
Norton Canes	27	67	51	16	—	—	—
†Ogley Hay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Okeover	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Onecote (12)...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Patshull	12	14	14	—	—	—	—
Pattingham	74	114	73	41	—	—	—
Penkridge (14)	157	202	135	67	—	—	—
*Coppenhall chapel	15	19	14	5	—	—	—
*Dunston chapel	67	39	25	14	—	—	—
*Stretton chapel	28	39	30	9	—	—	—
Penn	34	95	55	40	—	—	—
Pipe Ridware	9	12	9	3	—	—	—
§Quatt-Malvern (*Salop*)	26	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ranton	28	43	33	10	107	—	11
Rocester	55	91	81	10	223	—	5
*Bradley-in-the-moors	9	18	14	4	45	—	—
Rolleston	74	124	83	41	—	—	—
Rugeley (15)...	—	221	118	103	—	—	—
Rushall	26	41	33	8	—	—	—
Sandon	41	35	35	—	154	—	—
Sedgley	126	490	231	259	—	—	—
Seighford	67	103	78	25	292	4	1
Shareshill	30	79	52	27	—	—	—
Sheen (17)	—	42	33	9	—	—	—
Shenstone (18)	82	199	125	74	—	—	—
Sheriff Hales	53	99	74	25	312	2	—
Standon	30	48	41	7	164	2	1
Stafford, S. Mary's (19)	247	} 342	171	171	1,100	155	13
Stafford, S. Chad's	42						
Stafford, Enson and Salt chapels (16)	16	33	27	6	—	—	—
Stafford, Hopton chapel	20	32	24	8	—	—	—
Stafford, Marston chapel ...	12	14	12	2	—	—	—
Stafford, Whitgreave chapel ...	14	27	27	—	—	—	—
Stafford, Castle church	51	57	35	22	171	2	7
Stafford, Creswell	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
Stafford, †Worston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stafford, †Yarlet	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
‖Statfold	—	1	1	—	—	—	—

	Incoming	Outgoing	Incoming	Outgoing	Incoming	Outgoing	Incoming	Outgoing
	Type		Incidence		Type		Incidence	
Leek (19)—contd.								
*Houston chapel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Leigh (19)	46	141	90	44	126	10	—	—
Lichfield, including zone or the deanery	103	119	93	25	200	—	18	—
Lichfield, S. Mary's	400	504	479	—	181	—	—	—
Lichfield, S. Michael's	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lichfield, *Hospitaller's chapel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lichfield, Stowe	40	79	21	7	—	—	—	—
Longdon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Madeley	108	178	123	37	—	—	—	—
Mare	73	420	56	44	108	8	3	—
‡Market Drayton (Tyrley quarter) ...	—	37	40	11	—	—	—	—
Marston Railways	—	67	74	21	—	—	—	—
Marwood, including Burton ...	36	33	41	17	—	—	—	—
‡Middleton (Hampshire)	25	67	31	14	208	67	3	—
Milwich	—	52	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mitchestone (the 1891 figures include the town-ships in the town-township) ...	42	56	59	67	324	—	17	—
Salop)	111	133	91	17	616	3	6	—
Norbury	50	41	72	9	213	2	7	—
Norton-Canes	27	67	31	18	—	—	—	—
‡Oldy Hay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Onneley	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Onneote (12)	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Patshull	12	11	51	—	—	—	—	—
Pattingham	71	174	75	—	67	—	—	—
Penkridge (14)	187	242	177	—	67	—	—	—
*Coppenhall chapel	15	19	14	—	5	—	—	—
*Penston chapel	67	80	25	—	14	—	—	—
*Stretton chapel	28	19	30	—	9	—	—	—
Penn	31	94	35	—	16	—	—	—
Pipe Gateway	9	23	9	—	3	—	—	—
‡Quatt-Malvern (Salop)	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ranton	38	43	33	27	107	—	11	—
Rescester	35	61	61	10	215	—	5	—
*Headley-in-the-moors	9	18	14	—	18	—	—	—
Rollaston	74	137	87	—	—	—	—	—
Rugeley (13)	—	241	175	—	165	—	—	—
Rushall	29	41	32	—	5	—	—	—
Sandon	41	35	32	—	151	—	—	—
Sedgley	120	109	212	—	230	—	—	—
Seighford	67	103	73	—	25	204	4	1
Shareshill	30	30	32	—	27	—	—	—
Sneen (17)	—	47	11	—	9	—	—	—
Shenstone (18)	63	109	128	—	24	—	—	—
Sheriff Hales	33	90	77	—	83	314	4	—
Standon	30	48	41	—	7	101	2	1
Stafford, S. Mary's (19)	427	1,115	173	—	172	1,050	31	13
Stafford, S. Chad's	18	1,115	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stafford, Lunor and San chapels(19)	16	39	27	—	5	—	—	—
Stafford, Hopton chapel	20	50	24	—	3	—	—	—
Stafford, Marston chapel	12	14	18	—	2	—	—	—
Stafford, Walkeway chapel	14	27	67	—	—	—	—	—
Stafford, Castle church	32	57	71	—	34	172	3	7
Stafford, Creswell	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stafford, †Weston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stafford, †Walton	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
‡Statfold	—	4	1	—	—	—	—	—

—	HOUSEHOLDS				1676		
	1563	1665	Persons Chargeable, 1665	Non-chargeable, 1665	Conformists	Nonconformists	Papists
Stoke-upon-Trent	83	324	194	130	—	—	—
*Bagnall chapel	10	27	19	8	—	—	—
*Bucknall chapel	20	63	42	21	—	—	—
*Burslem chapel	32	87	81	6	427	—	17
*Newcastle chapel...	78	279	175	104	1,000	5	—
*Norton-in-the-moors chapel ...	50	101	75	26	—	—	—
*Whitmore chapel...	20	30	28	2	124	—	—
Stone...	159	478	299	179	—	—	—
Stowe (20)	97	115	89	26	300	2	3
Swynnerton	38	111	101	10	240	4	11
Tamworth (21)	—	234	153	81	—	—	—
Tatenhill (22)	77	68	68	—	—	—	—
*Barton-under-Needwood chapel	86	132	86	46	—	—	—
*Wichnor chapel	21	27	23	4	—	—	—
†Teddesley Hay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tettenhall (23*a*)	—	207	155	52	—	—	—
Thorpe Constantine	—	8	8	—	—	—	—
Tipton	—	115	70	45	—	—	—
Tixall...	17	15	14	1	54	7	5
Trentham	52	105	74	31	427	2	2
Tutbury	95	99	72	27	—	—	—
Uttoxeter (23*b*)	240	557	386	171	1,965	32	5
Walsall (24)	290	645	300	345	39	—	—
Waterfall (25)	29	45	40	5	—	—	—
Wednesbury (26)	132	218	134	84	—	—	—
Weeford	40	52	39	13	—	—	—
West Bromwich	116	311	194	117	—	—	—
Weston-under-Lizard	22	25	21	4	94	—	—
Weston-on-Trent	18	25	16	9	59	—	1
Wetton (27)	33	48	42	6	—	—	—
Whittington	20	87	66	21	—	—	—
Wolstanton	72	244	197	47	936	13	—
*Keele chapel	30	65	43	22	207	8	1
Wolverhampton, say (28)	323	858	499	359	—	—	—
*Pelsall chapel (28)	14	53	38	15	—	—	—
Wombourn	37	111	56	55	—	—	—
*Trysull chapel	34	66	51	15	—	—	—
†Woodford Grange	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
§Worfield (*Salop*)	134	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yoxall	151	145	110	35	—	—	—
Totals	9,183	20,628	13,864	6,764	—	—	—

ADJUSTMENT TABLE

Column No. 1 gives the number of households in 1563 as estimated, being 47·2 per cent. of the householders there in 1665.

Column No. 2 gives the number of householders in places within the archdeaconry, but outside the county of Stafford, as given in the 1563 return.

Column No. 3 gives the number of householders in 1665,

—		HOUSEHOLDS						
	1563	1605	1563	1563	1563	1563	1563	1563
Sheep-down-Tenn	16	1	322	91	13	—	—	—
*Sheepall chapel	10	1	87	77	2	—	—	—
*Sherrall chapel	46	—	115	92	9	—	—	—
*Thirsten chapel	72	47	51	51	6	1[illegible]	—	—
*Newsettle chapel	74	37	127	110	6	1,[illegible]	5	—
*Mellon in the moors chapel ...	50	1	75	74	2	—	—	—
*Wingrove chapel	70	1	20	25	4	[illegible]	—	—
Bloore	160	1[illegible]	470	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—	—	—
Stowe-Tree	37	111	80	1[illegible]	2[illegible]	700	8	5
Swyne-cum	37	111	101	1[illegible]	2[illegible]	2[illegible]	4	11
Tanyard (S 121)	—	1[illegible]	171	—	8[illegible]	—	—	—
Lawton (S 22)	47	—	1[illegible]	—	—	—	—	—
*Upton-under-Newbold chapel ...	5[illegible]	1[illegible]	8[illegible]	—	—	—	—	—
*Wakeley chapel	21	—	—	2[illegible]	4	—	—	—
†Bellasley Hay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
†Greenhill (S 26)	6[illegible]	—	8[illegible]	1[illegible]	2[illegible]	—	—	—
Chapel Consistine	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—
Lydon	—	—	1[illegible]	7	1[illegible]	—	—	—
Tyrell	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	8	4	—
Ironbury	3[illegible]	1[illegible]	6[illegible]	7[illegible]	1[illegible]	4[illegible]	6	4
Tatling	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—	—	—
Ulverlee (S 36)	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]
Walsall (S 9)	4[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]
Walsall (S 23)	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]
Wednesbury (S 46)	2[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—	—	—
Wetwood	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—	—	—
West Bromwich	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—	—	—
Wetton-under-Lawed	8[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—	—	—
Weston-on-Trent	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—	—	—
Wetton (S 27)	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—	—	—
Whittington	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—	—	—
Wolstanton	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—	—	—
*Hesle chapel	2[illegible]	2[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—
Wolves hampton, say (S 6)	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—
*Walsall chapel (S 8)	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—	—	—
Wombourn	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—	—	—
*Tipton chapel	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—	—	—
†Woodland Grange	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
†Worrall (Salop)	1[illegible]	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yeaxall*	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	1[illegible]	—	—	—
Totals	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	—

from which the number of householders given in the first column has been deduced.

Amblecote (Old Swinford)	29	—	62
Balterley (Barthomley)	16	—	35
Bobbington	22	—	48
Broom	11	—	23
Canwell	2	—	3
Cheswardine (Salop)	—	34	—
Chilcote (Derby)	—	15	—
Clent	47	—	100
Rowley Regis	118	—	250
Codsall	46	—	97
Croxall (Oakley)	1	—	1
Croxden	16	—	35
Drayton Bassett	40	—	86
Handsworth	107	—	226
Edgbaston (Warw.)	—	33	—
Maer	27	—	57
Market Drayton (Tyrley)	46	—	97
Middleton (Warw.)	—	62	—
Mucklestone (The Staffordshire part of)	56	—	118
Quatt (Salop)	—	26	—
Rugeley	104	—	221
Sheen	20	—	42
Statfold	1	—	1
Tamworth	110	—	234
Tettenhall	98	—	207
Thorpe Constantine	4	—	8
Tipton	54	—	115
Creswell and Yarlet	1	—	2
Worfield (Salop)	—	134	—
Totals	976	304	2,068

NOTE.—976, the total of the first column, is 47·2 per cent. of 2,068.

NOTES

In the case of many of the aforenamed parishes additional information is available concerning their population or the number of communicants in each parish in other years. These are summarized in the following notes. It is probable that these figures refer to the whole parish in each case, including the dependent chapelries.

The figures for the year 1604 are taken from the return of that year.

(1) Abbots Bromley, 1604, population 700.

(2) Alstonefield, 1604, communicants 2,000 (*sic*).

(3) Alton, 1604, communicants 120.

(4) Blore Ray, 1604, communicants 100.

(5) Burton-on-Trent, 1604, people 1,500.

(6) Calton, 1666, householders, 11 in Rocester parish, 6 in Mayfield parish, probably about 5 in Croxden parish.

(7) Cannock, 1604, people 400.

from which the number of householders given in the first column has been deduced.

Ambleote (Old Swinford)	29	—	15
Halesowen (Hartshill)	16	—	37
Hobbington	22	—	11
Hucco	11	—	13
Camwell	2	—	—
Clayswardine (Salop)	—	—	1
Cliftocte (Derby)	—	18	—
Cleat	—	13	—
Rowley Regis	15	—	105
Cadeall	17	—	7
Croxall (Oakley)	—	—	20
Croxton	2	—	1
Dragton Bassett	16	—	13
Handsworth	—	—	13
Highgeston (Warw.)	44	—	230
Mere	—	23	—
Market Drayton (Tyrley)	27	—	23
Middleton (Warw.)	40	—	27
Nuneastone (The Stutton's one parcel) ...	43	—	22
Oneth (Salop)	—	—	112
Rugeley	—	26	—
Sheen	104	—	27
Stutshall	20	—	44
Tamworth	1	—	1
Tettenhall	110	—	213
Thorne Constantine	66	—	27
Tipton	4	—	3
Cresswell and Yarlet	54	—	113
Worfield (Salop)	1	—	2
... ...	—	111	—
Totals	970	191	2,227

Note.—270, the total of the first column, is 17·2 per cent of 2,227.

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In the case of many of the aforenamed parishes additional information is available concerning their population or the number of communicants in each parish in other years. These are summarised in the following notes. It is probable that these figures refer to the whole parish in each case, including the dependent chapelries.

The figures for the year 1603 are taken from the return of that year.

(1) Abbots Bromley, 1661, population 700.

(2) Alstonfield, 1661, communicants 2,000 (sic).

(3) Alton, 1661, communicants 120.

(4) Blore Ray, 1661, communicants 100.

(5) Burton-on-Trent, 1661, people 1,500.

(6) Calton, 1665, householders, 11 in Rocester parish, 6 in Mayfield parish, probably about 5 in Cresslow parish.

(7) Cannock, 1661, people 400.

(8) Eccleshall, 1548, communicants 800 (*c*); 1604, communicants 1,300, and many recusants.

(9) Ellastone, 1604, communicants 600.

(10) Gnosall, 1649, communicants 750 (*Bod. MS.* 326, p. 290).

(11) Hanbury, 1604, people 800.

(12) Leek, 1604, people 4,800 in the ancient parish, which included the chapelries of Cheddleton, Ipstones, Meerbrook, Onecote and Rushton.

(13*a*) Leigh, 1604, people 500.

(13*b*) Lichfield, 1604, people 6,000.

(14) Penkridge, 1546, communicants 1,200 in the whole parish, including the chapelries (*a*); 1604, communicants 1,100, and 18 recusants.

(15) Rugeley, 1646, communicants "many hundred" (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 357).

(16) Salt (*see* p. 224). In 1550 the parishioners asserted that there were more than 100 communicants here.

(17) Sheen may have been regarded as a chapel in Ilam in 1563, and the Ilam figures for this year may include those of Sheen.

(18) Shenstone, 1604, people 500.

(19) Stafford, 1546, communicants 3,000 in the old parish, which included the chapelries of Creswell, Enson, Hopton, Marston, Salt, Whitgreave, etc. (*a*); 1604, communicants 2,000; 1646, communicants—S. Mary's 1,500, S Chad's 300 (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 267).

(20) Stowe, 1646, communicants 500 (*Bod. MSS.* 323, p. 360, and 325, p. 279).

(21) Tamworth, 1546, communicants 2,400—i.e. within the cure of the collegiate church there, which included several places in Warwickshire (*a*); 1604, people 2,000.

(22) Tatenhill, 1604, people 800 in the whole parish.

(23*a*) Tettenhall, c. 1552, communicants 1,000.

(23*b*) Uttoxeter, 1604, people 1,600.

(24) Walsall, 1548, communicants "at least 1,000" (*c*); 1604, communicants 2,000, and many recusants; 1646, communicants 1,000 (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 268).

(25) Waterfall, 1604, communicants 190.

(26) Wednesbury, 1646, people 900 (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 268).

(27) Wetton, 1604, communicants 140.

(8) Eccleshall, 1548, communicants 800 (*c*); 1604, communicants 1,300, and many recusants.

(9) Lilleshall, 1604, communicants 900.

(10) Gnosall, 1610, communicants 750 (*Ord. MS.* 326, p. 290).

(11) Hanbury, 1604, people 800.

(12) Leek, 1604, people 4,000 in the ancient parish, which included the chapelries of Cheddleton, Ipstones, Blackbrook, Onneccote and Rushton.

(13a) Leigh, 1604, people 500.

(13b) Lichfield, 1604, people 6,000.

(14) Penkridge, 1546, communicants 2,200 in the whole parish, including the chapelries (*a*); 1604, communicants 1,100, and 18 recusants.

(15) Rugeley, 1646, communicants "many hundred" (*Ord. MS.* 323, p. 357).

(16) Salt (see 22a). In 1556 the parishioners asserted that there were more than 700 communicants here.

(17) Sheen may have been reckoned as a chapel in Ilam in 1563, and the Ilam figures for this year may include those of Sheen.

(18) Shenstone, 1604, people 800.

(19) Stafford, 1546, communicants 3,000 in the old parish, which included the chapelries of Creswell, Eason, Hopton, Marston, Salt, Whitgreave, etc. (*a*); 1604, communicants 2,000; 1646, communicants—S. Mary's 1,500, S. Chad's 300 (*Ord. MS.* 323, p. 207).

(20) Stowe, 1646, communicants 300 (*Ord. MSS.* 323, p. 300, and 325, p. 270).

(21) Tamworth, 1546, communicants 2,400—i.e. within the cure of the collegiate church there, which included several places in Warwickshire (*a*); 1604, people 2,000.

(22) Tatenhill, 1604, people 800 in the whole parish.

(22a) Tettenhall, c. 1532, communicants 1,000.

(23) Uttoxeter, 1604, people 1,000.

(24) Walsall, 1548, communicants "at least 1,000" (*c*); 1604, communicants 2,000, and many recusants; 1646, communicants 1,000 (*Ord. MS.* 323, p. 268).

(25) Wednesfield, 1604, communicants 100.

(26) Wednesbury, 1646, people 900 (*Ord. MS.* 323, p. 268).

(27) Weston, 1604, communicants 140.

(28) Wolverhampton, 1604, people 4,000 here and at Pelsall; 1646 and 1656, communicants 4,000 (*see* p. 327).

A NOTE ON THE POPULATION OF STAFFORDSHIRE AT DIFFERENT PERIODS

By Commander Wedgwood.

According to Mr. Landor's tables, the censuses of 1563 and 1665 give the total estimated households in the county as 9,743 and 20,628. Now the censuses of 1801 and 1811 give the population as 254,084 and 308,129 respectively. The first censuses were taken carelessly, without any previous practice. It is generally calculated that the first gave figures at least 5 per cent. below the real figures, and the second about ½ per cent. below the actual. If there was this error to be set to the charge of the officials of 1801, we may assume that the clerical compilers of the earliest censuses made even larger errors. I suggest as a pure guess that we should add 10 per cent. to the number of households in 1665 and 20 per cent. to the number in 1563. It is obvious from Mr. Landor's notes and from the inspection of the figures in detail that in the earliest census the hamlet, rather than the whole scattered parish, was often all that was counted. This raised the estimate of households to 11,692 in 1563 and 22,691 in 1665.

How many were there in each household? Obviously more than at present. The return of 1676, if it be any real guide to the numbers of people over 15, shows that there were as many as 3½ in each household over that age. Having in view the enormous infantile mortality of those days, I cannot think we should be wrong in assuming that there were 2½ under the age of 15. If that is so, we must multiply the households by 6[1] to get the population of the county. The number per household was 5·6 in England in 1861.

At a rough guess, therefore, we have: Population, 1563, 70,152; 1665, 136,146. This is an increase of nearly 100 per cent. in the 100 years, or of 7 per cent. each decade. When in the nineteenth century we meet with reliable figures as to the increase each decade, we find the population growing at

[1] Maitland used the multiplier 5 to obtain the actual population from the recorded population of Domesday. I have taken 12 actual families in the years 1676 and 1706 and find the average per household to work out at 6·1 persons without any allowance for servants or apprentices.

(23) Wolverhampton, 1801, people 4,000 here and at Tettenhall; 1846 and 1856, communicants 4,000 (see p. 327).

A NOTE ON THE POPULATION OF STAFFORDSHIRE AT DIFFERENT PERIODS

By Commander Wrigley.

According to Mr. Lander's tables, the censuses of 1563 and 1665 give the total estimated households in the county as 9,743 and 20,626. Now the censuses of 1801 and 1871 give the population as 234,064 and 908,129 respectively. The first censuses were taken carelessly, without any previous practice. It is generally calculated that the first gave figures at least 5 per cent. below the real figures, and the second about 2½ per cent. below the actual. If there was this error to be set to the charge of the officials of 1801, we may assume that the clerical compilers of the earlier censuses made even larger errors. I suggest as a pure guess that we should add 10 per cent. to the number of households in 1563 and 20 per cent. to the number in 1665. It is obvious from Mr. Lander's notes and from the inspection of the figures in detail that in the earliest census the families, rather than the whole scattered parish, was often all that was counted. This raised the estimate of households to 11,062 in 1563 and 22,670 in 1665.

How many were there in each household? Obviously more than at present. The return of 1676, if it be any real guide to the numbers of people over 15, shows that there were as many as 3½ in each household over that age. Having in view the enormous infantile mortality of those days, I rather think we should be wrong in assuming that there was 2½ under the age of 15. If that is so, we must multiply the households by 6[1] to get the population of the county. The number per household was 5·6 in England in 1801.

At a rough guess, therefore, we have: Population, 1563, 70,134; 1665, 130,146. This is an increase of nearly 100 per cent. in the 100 years, or of 7 per cent. each decade. What in the nineteenth century we must with reliable figures as to the increase each decade, we find the population growing at

[1] Maitland used the multiplier 5 to obtain the actual population from the recorded population of Domesday. I have taken 12 as actual family size at the years 1676 and 1786 and find the average per household to work out at 6·1 persons, without any allowance for servants or apprentices.

the rate of 15 per cent., then 17 per cent., then 20 per cent. each decade down to 1871. Yet the population in 1801 cannot have been more than 270,000 souls. If it was 136,000 in 1665 and 270,000 in 1801, then during that period of 135 years the population had only increased at a rate of 5 per cent. each decade. This slowing down in the rate of increase after 1665 came about in spite of the growth of manufactories in north and south during the last half of the eighteenth century. Yet it is quite possible that these figures and deductions are correct, and that there was a genuine slowing down of the rate of increase, due partly to emigration to America, partly to the enclosures and the engrossing of large farms, which first began to affect Staffordshire during the eighteenth century, partly to the famine years that set in between 1770 and 1796. If the figures are anything like correct, they indicate a period of amazing prosperity between 1563 and 1665 in the county of Staffordshire.

Following these pseudo-statistics farther back, we may deduce for the population of Staffordshire in 1461 some 45,000 souls. (Staffordshire was not affected by the early enclosures.) Still farther back, after the Black Death in 1361, the population might be 25,000. Before the first Black Death in 1348 perhaps it was 40,000 again ; and when Henry of Anjou ended the civil wars of the reign of Stephen—in 1154, when 88 hides were utterly waste—then, I should think, 15,000 people was all there would be in our county—12 to every square mile, a population about as dense as is that of the Orange River Colony to-day.

The Domesday Book figures, giving the households in 1086, back up this estimate. The total number of persons—tenants, freemen, priests, merchants, villeins, boors and serfs—enumerated in Staffordshire in 1086 is 3,236. This is Staffordshire as included in Domesday, but with the part now in Salop deducted. To this figure we must add townsmen in Tamworth, priests and townsmen in Lichfield, and probably in Wolverhampton and Burton-on-Trent ; some 60 heads of families. We must add, too, many outlaws, for half Staffordshire was waste. Total, some 3,350 families. Against under-estimation by the compilers we have to set off the possibility that many families are enumerated twice over in different names. To get the actual number of inhabitants, Maitland, in his *Domesday*

and Beyond, multiplies the households by 5 after taking all factors into account. This gives a total of 16,750 souls twenty years after the Conquest.

Lastly—or firstly—there were five hundred hides in the five hundreds of Staffordshire—only five hundred, for it was the last settled by Middle English from the east and by the Hwicci from the south, and it was a wild land. I suppose these hides were not fully settled into and occupied till A.D. 850. Roughly, 500 families settled with their retainers—perhaps 10 to a family—like the Boer vortrekkers. If there were 5,000 of the invaders, there were at least as many of the Celts left behind on the land alive, many free in the moorlands and in Needwood, but most perhaps hewers of wood and drawers of water for all time.

THE PARISHES

ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY

ABBOTS BROMLEY

In 1563 called "Bromley Pagets," a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D., formerly approp. to the Abbey of Burton-on-Trent.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 2 silver chalices with patens; 4 bells (*s*); 2 damask copes, 1 red, 1 crimson; 6 vestments, 1 of blue worsted, 1 blue full of birdes, 1 of red worsted, 1 of dark red (worsted) wrought with silver, 2 white ones; 3 albes; 3 amices; 1 copper cross; 1 brass censer. **Ch. wds.:** Hugh Clerke & Rich Pixley.

Patrons: The Pagets of Beaudesert (*S. H. C.*, XII, p. 216).

VICARS

occ. 1491	ob. 1526	Hen Fydcock
14 Feb. 1526-7	w.p. 17 Nov. 1561	Thos Wilson [1]
8 Jan. 1561-2	w.p. 6 June 1572	Thos Webbe
12 Sep. 1572	res. 1586	Wm Tatton
14 May 1586	w.p. 6 Oct. 1626	Geo Stone [2]
16 Oct. 1626	left Dec. 1633	Edward Holbrooke M.A. [3]
22 Jan. 1633-4	depr. 1646	Anthony Huxley M.A. [4]
10 Dec. 1646		John Sammon B.A.? [5]
occ. 1649		Wm Beeby [6]
occ. 1651-2		Walter Bromsgrove M.A.? [7]
occ. 1661		Nathaniel Mott M.A. [8]
c. 1662 restored	res. 1665	Anthony Huxley M.A.
27 Ap. 1665	res. 1668	Nathaniel Mott M.A. [8]
3 Nov. 1668		Geo Wright B.A.

THE PRIEST'S SERVICE

Certified in 1548 that certain persons then unknown had endowed a priest here with lands worth 1*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* net to sing daily mass in the church and that the said priest had always kept a school, but not a free one (*b, c, r*). There were no plate or goods.

ABBOTS BROMLEY

In 1563 called "Bromley Pagnels," a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D., formerly appropr. to the Abbey of Burton-on-Trent.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 2 silver chalices with patens; 4 bells (5); 2 damask copes, 1 red, 1 crimson; 6 vestments, 1 of blue worsted, 1 blue full of birdes, 1 of red worsted, 1 of dark red (worsted) wrought with silver, 2 white ones; 3 albes; 3 amices; 1 copper cross; 1 brass censer. **Ch. wds.**: Hugh Clerke & Hugh Pixley.

Patrons: The Pagets of Beaudesert (*S. M. C.*, xii, p. 261).

VICARS

	occ. 1490	ob. 1520	Ran Byrkock
14 Feb. 1520-7	w.p. 17 Nov. 1521	Thos Wilson[1]
8 Jan. 1521-2	w.p. 6 June 1572	Thos Webbe
12 Sep. 1572	res. 1586	Wm Button
14 May 1586	w.p. 6 Oct. 1623	Geo Stone[2]
16 Oct. 1623	left Dec. 1633	Edward Holbrooke M.A.[3]
22 Jan. 1633-4	depr. 1646	Anthony Huxley M.A.[4]
10 Dec. 1646		John Sammon B.A.?[5]
	occ. 1649	Wm Beeby[6]
	occ. 1671-2	Walter Bromsgrove M.A.?[7]
	occ. 1681	Nathaniel Mott M.A.[8]
c. 1682 restored	res. 1695	Anthony Huxley M.A.
27 Ap. 1695	res. 1698	Nathaniel Mott M.A.[9]
3 Nov. 1698		Geo Wright B.A.

THE PRIEST'S SERVICE

Certified in 1548 that certain persons then unknown had endowed a priest here with lands worth xl. 5s. 6d. not to sing daily mass in the church and that the said priest had always kept a school, but not a free one (6, e, c). There were no plate or goods.

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	Chas Benteley
occ. 1548	John Stephenson [9]

A LAMP

Certified in 1548 that a yearly rent of 6*d.* had been left to provide a lamp to burn every holy day in the chancel between matins and mass for ever (*b*).

NOTES

[1] **Wilson** alias Wetton subscribed in 1559. Probably vicar of Longdon 1526-7.

[2] **Stone.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris bene exercitatus. Ordained by Thos Bentham and presented to this vicarage by the Crown. Formerly curate of Marchington chapel. No degree, no preacher (1602-4 *returns*). Vicarage worth 16*l.* in 1604.

[3] **Holbrook.** M.A. 1623 Trin. Coll. Ox., born in co. Stafford (*Foster*). Ordained priest 13 June 1624. Vicar of Pattingham 1633-46, rector of Forton 1635-53. Many pluralists were compelled to choose between two livings c. 1646 and Holbrook appears to have been one of these.

[4] **Huxley.** B.A. 1618 Magd. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1624 Ox. (*Foster*), M.A. 1630 Camb. (*Venn*). He was with the Royalist garrison at Lichfield on its surrender on 10 July 1646. In the following November he refused to appear before the committee for plundered ministers to answer certain matters alleged against him by his parishioners, so on 10 Dec. 1646 it sequestered the vicarage from him on the ground that he had deserted his cure and betaken himself to the forces raised against parliament. Huxley managed to retain possession of the vicarage house until 15 Mar. 1646-7, when the comm. of parliament for co. Staff. was instructed to turn him out forthwith. On 11 Ap. 1647 his wife Hanna was allowed a full fifth of the living for her maintenance provided that she and her husband yielded all due obedience to the sequestration. (*Bod. MS.* 324, pp. 28, 131, 137, 396.)

[5] **Sammon** or Samon. Probably B.A. 1641 Glouc. Hall, Ox. If so, son of John Samon of Badsey, Worc., priest (*Foster*). Described as a godly and orthodox divine, when the committee for plundered ministers sequestered this vicarage to his use on 10 Dec. 1646 and referred him for approval to the Westminster assembly of divines, which was duly given. (*Bod. MS.* 324, pp. 137, 163, 396.) On 4 Nov. 1646 the committee ordered the salary (26*l.* 13*s.* 0*d.*) of the minister here when appointed to be increased by the following rents, reserved

INCUMBENTS

1533	Chas Bentley
1548	John Stephenson[a]

A LAMP

Certified in 1548 that a yearly rent of 6d. had been left to provide a lamp to burn every holy day in the chancel between matins and mass for ever (4).

NOTES

[1] Wilson adds Wetton subscribed in 1539. Probably vicar of Longdon 1536-7.

[2] Stone, Scholars, mails, or in sixth fifteen lone associations. Ordained by Thos Bentham and presented to this vicarage by the Crown. Formerly curate of Abbotsbromley chapel. No degree, no preacher (1603-4 visitation). Vicarage worth 10l. in 1604.

[3] Holbrook, MA. 1629. Trin. Coll. Ox., born in co. Stafford (Foster). Ordained priest 13 June 1604. Vicar of Pattingham 1623-40, rector of Boston 1633-53. Many pluralities were compelled to choose between two livings c. 1640 and Holbrook appears to have been one of these.

[4] Hurley, B.A. 1618 Magd. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1624 Ox. (Foster), M.A. 1630 Camb. (Venn). He was with the Royalist garrison at Lichfield on its surrender on 10 July 1646. In the following November he refused to appear before the committee for plundered ministers to answer certain matters alleged against him by his parishioners, so on 10 Dec. 1646 it sequestered the vicarage from him on the ground that he had deserted his cure and retained himself to the forces raised against parliament. Hurley managed to retain possession of the vicarage house until 15 Mar. 1649-50, when the county of parliament for co. Staff. was instructed to turn him out forthwith. On 11 Apr. 1650 his wife Hanna was allowed a full third of the living for her maintenance provided that she and her husband yielded all due obedience to the sequestration (Mod. MS. 34, pp. 28, 127, 129, 206).

[5] Sammon or Samon, Probably B.A. 1641 Glouc. Hall, Ox. Hanson of John Sammon of Badsey, Worc., priest (Foster). Described as godly and orthodox divine, when the committee for plundered ministers sequestered this vicarage to his use on 10 Dec. 1649 and referred him for approval to the Westminster assembly of divines, which was duly given (Mod. MS. 34, pp. 122, 193, 206). In 1650 the committee ordered the salary (cal. 12s. 6d.) of the minister here when appointed to be increased by the following rents, received

to the dean and chapter of Lich. from the following impropriate rectories, viz. 16*l.* from Longdon rectory, 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* from Dilhorne rectory, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* from this rectory and 22*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* from Brewood tithes. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 360.)

[6] **Beeby.** On 25 May 1649 the committee for plundered ministers ordered all arrears of this augmentation of 50*l.* to be paid to Beeby and 9 months' salary at this rate was ordered on 25 Dec. 1649. (*Bod. MS.* 326, p. 290; *Shaw*, II, p. 543.)

[7] **Bromsgrove.** Probably identical with one of this name who matriculated 1619 King's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1628, was ordained priest at Lichfield 9 Mar. 1627-8 and was curate at Cheadle in 1629.

[8] **Mott.** *See* **Longdon.**

[9] **Stephenson.** Salary 14*s.* 6*d.* (*c*), pension 13*s.* 6*d.* (*p*). Possibly preb. of Gaia minor 1557-8 and of Tachbrook 1558-62.

ACTON TRUSSELL

In 1563 a church approp. to the preb. of Whittington & Baswich and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 corporal; 1 green linen cloth vestment with albe & amice; 1 blue linen cloth cope; 2 altar cloths; 2 cruets; 1 copper cross; 3 bells; 1 sacring bell; 1 towel.

In 1604 a chapel in Baswich parish.

CURATES

occ. 1533-8	Robt Gryme [1]
occ. 1604	a curate [2]
occ. 1651-2	Rich Littleton B.A.? [3]
occ. 1661	Rich Morall [4]
occ. Oct. 1661 ob. c. 1678	Wm Vincent B.A.? [5]
occ. c. 1680	Wm Watwood [6]

A LAMP

Certified in 1548 that lands worth 8*d.* net p.a. had been left by persons then unknown to provide a lamp to burn in the parish church for ever (*b, r*).

NOTES

[1] **Gryme.** In 1538 the priory of S. Thomas the Martyr by Stafford owed him 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* and he possessed a "stondyng cup" belonging to this priory. (*Hibbert*, p. 234.)

to the dean and chapter of Lich. from the following impropriate rectories, viz. rd. from Longdon rectory, 4d. 2s. from Dilhorne rectory, 6d. 12s. 4d. from this rectory and 23d. 13s. 4d. from Drayton tithes. (Reg. MS. 323, p. 300)

* **Beedy.** On 25 May 1629 the committee for plundered ministers ordered all arrears of this augmentation of £9 to be paid to Beedy and 9 months' salary at this rate was ordered on 25 Dec. 1629. (Reg. MS. 326, p. 290; Sales, ii, p. 415)

* **Bromsgrove.** Probably identical with one of this name who matriculated 1019 King's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1622, was ordained priest at Lichfield 9 Mar. 1622-3 and was curate of Cheadle in 1630.

* **Mott.** See **Longdon.**

* **Stephenson.** Salary £45, of (c), [illegible] 13s. 6d. (A). Possibly preb. of Gaia minor 1597-8 and of Tachbrook 1598-9.

ACTON TRUSSELL

In 1563 a church appropr. to the preb. of Wolverhampton & Baswich and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Ord., May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 corporal; 1 green linen cloth vestment with albe & amice; 1 blue linen cloth cope; 2 altar cloths; 2 cruets; 1 copper cross; 3 bells; 1 sacring bell; 1 towel.

In 1604 a chapel in Baswich parish.

CURATES

occ. 1533-8	Robt Grynne[1]
occ. 1604	a curate*
occ. 1637-[illegible]	Rich Littleton B.A.[2]
occ. 1661	Rich Morrell*
occ. Oct. 1661 obt. c. 1678	Wm Vincent B.A.[3]
occ. c. 1680	Wm Wattwood*

A LAMP

Certified in 1548 that lands worth 8d. net p.a. had been left by persons then unknown to provide a lamp to burn in the parish church for over 40 yr.

NOTES

[1] **Grynne.** In 1548 the rectory of S. Thomas the Martyr by Stafford owed him 3d. 6s. 8d. and he possessed a "standing cup" belonging to this priory. (*Willow*, p. 234)

[2] **Curate.** Not named in 1604 return. No preacher.

[3] **Littleton.** Perhaps B.A. 1639-40, Peterhouse Coll. Camb. (*Venn.*) Minister at Wolverhampton in 1648.

[4] **Morall.** Paid a subsidy of 10s. in 1661.

[5] **Vincent.** B.A. 1653 Pemb. Coll. Camb. (*Venn.*) Ordained both priest and deacon 13 July 1662. Occurs in the Lich. transcripts 17 Oct. 1661 and probably held this living with that of Bednall. (*Keeper*, XL, p. 172.) Died in prison. (*Gregory.*)

[6] **Watwood.** Mentioned by Gregory.

ADBASTON
CUM KNIGHTON, BISHOPS OFFLEY, FLASHBROOK & TUNSTALL

In 1563 a church, without any annexed chapels, approp. to the dean of Lich. and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 2 silver chalices with patens; 1 albe; 4 great bells (*s*)[1]; 1 little bell; 3 vestments; 2 crosses, 1 of maslyn, 1 of lead. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Green & John Parkar.

CURATES

	occ. 1533	John Wolrych
	occ. 1604 ob. 1616	Wm Cowper[2]
12 July 1647	occ. 1651	Rich Butler[3]
	occ. 1658	Thos Bladen[4]
	occ. 1666	John Cook[5]
	res. c. 1679	Sam Prichard B.A.?[6]
c. 1679		Andrew Corbet[7]

LIGHTS

Certified in 1548 that Nich Mylward had given 10*s.* 0*d.* to maintain a light of 7 tapers every Holy Day; in 1549 that there was a rent of 2*s.* 0*d.* p.a. from lands here for lights and other common charges (*b, e*).

BISHOPS OFFLEY CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 or any subsequent return. Certified in 1548 that no service was then maintained therein, nor were there any lands thereunto belonging, but that a cow valued at 10s. had been given to this chapel for a priest to sing (mass) in it and that there were 4 oz. of white plate and 1 bell at the end of the chapel (*b*).

[1] Curate. Not named in 1604 notice. No preacher.

[2] Littleton, Perkins R.A. 1619-9; Pembroke Coll. Camb. (Foster). Minister at Wolverhampton in 1648.

[3] Morall, Hall a subsidy of 10s. in 1601.

[4] Vincent, R.A. 1593 Penis. Coll. Camb. (Foster). Ordained both priest and deacon 11 July 1580. Deans in the Lich. Immatrjus. 17 Oct. 1601 and probably held this living with that of Tedsall (Keeper, xx, p. 172) Died in prison. (Surgery)

[5] Watwood, Monthmond by Gregory

ADBASTON
CUM KNIGHTON—BISHOP'S OFFELEY, FLASHBROOK
& TUNSTALL.

In 1563 a church, without any annexed chapels, appropr. to the dean of Lich. and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., a Mary 1553; 2 silver chalices with patens; 1 alb, 4 great bells (5) [1]; 1 little bell; 3 vestments; 2 crosses, 1 of mashlyn, 1 of lead. Ch. wds.: Wm Green & John Parker.

CURATES

	occ. 1533	John Wolsych
	occ. 1604 ob. 1610	Wm Cowper [2]
12 July 1647	occ. 1631	Rich Bailey [3]
	occ. 1658	Thos Hudson [4]
	occ. 1660	John Cook [5]
	res. c. 1670	Sam Tickland B.A. [6]
c. 1679		Andrew Corbet [7]

LIGHTS

Certified in 1548 that Nich Hylward had given 10s. 0d. to maintain a light of 7 tapers every Holy Day; in 1549 that there was a rent of 2s. 6d. p.a. from lands here for lights and other common charges (6, c).

BISHOP'S OFFELEY CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 or any subsequent return. Certified in 1548 that no service was then maintained therein, nor were there any lands thereunto belonging, but that a cow valued at 10s. had been given to this chapel for a priest to sing (mass) in it and that there were 4 ov. of plate and 1 bell at the end of the chapel (M).

TUNSTALL CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 or any subsequent return. Certified in 1548 that no service was then maintained therein, nor were there any lands thereunto belonging, but that there was one little bell at the end of the chapel (*b*).

NOTES

[1] **Bells.** Only 3 bells were left in the charge of the ch. wds. in 1553.

[2] **Cowper.** No preacher, stipend 8*l.* (*return of* 1604).

[3] **Butler** (?Buller). On 12 July 1647 the committee for plundered ministers granted him an augmentation of 10*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* p.a. out of the rent reserved for the dean from this impropriate rectory, in addition to the 14*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* p.a. which was accustomed to be paid by the farmer thereof and the parsonage house, churchyard, etc., worth 2*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* p.a. This augmentation was regularly paid him until 26 Sep. 1651. (*Lamb. MSS.* 976, p. 326; 978, p. 622; 979, p. 356; *Bod. MSS.* 325, p. 217; 327, p. 484; *Sion MS.*, p. 495.) Graduates of this name took their M.A. at Oxford in 1616 (*Foster*) and at Cambridge in 1613 (*Venn*).

[4] **Bladen.** Succeeded Buller. Aforenamed augmentation paid him c. 1658. (*Lamb. MS.* 994, p. 142.) Became vicar of Alrewas, q.v.

[5] **Cook.** Vicar of Eccleshall 1662-8. Became rector? of Northenden, Ches., in 1668 (*Gregory*). As vicar certified the hearths here and at Eccleshall in 1666. Six Cambridge graduates of this name took their degrees between 1651-61 (*Venn*).

[6] **Prichard.** Probably B.A. 1643-4 King's Coll. Camb. Became rector of Preston-upon-the-Wild-Moors c. 1679 (*Gregory*).

[7] **Corbet.** Mentioned by Gregory.

ALDRIDGE

In 1563 a rectory, with an annexed chapel of ease at Barr, in Tamworth D.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 copper cross; 1 blue damask cope; 2 suites of vestments, 1 of camlet, 1 white; 1 black vestment; 3 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell (*s*); 1 hand bell; 2 altar cloths; 1 surplice. **Ch. wds.:** Hen Wiganne & Thos Stone.

In 1604 there were many recusants here.

Patrons: 1557 John Dore, 1575 Wm Scotte from Margaret countess of Hereford, 1622 canon Robt Master LL.D.

TUNSTALL CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1503 or any subsequent return. Certified in 1548 that no service was then maintained therein, nor were there any lands thereunto belonging, but that there was one little bell at the end of the chapel (4).

NOTES

[1] **Bells.** Only 3 bells were left in the charge of the ch. wdn. in 1553.

[2] **Cowper.** No preacher, stipend 8*l.* (review of 1603).

[3] **Butler** (Hallier). On 12 July 1647 the committee for plundered ministers granted him an augmentation of 10*l.* out of the rent reserved to the dean from this impropriate rectory, in addition to the 14*l.* 05. 0*d.* p.a. which was accustomed to be paid by the farmer thereof and the parsonage house, churchyard, etc., worth 2*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* p.a. This augmentation was regularly paid him until 26 Sept. 1651. (Lamb. MS. 970, ff. 209; 976, p. 102; 979, p. 359; Bod. MS. 345, p. 217; 347, p. 48; Stow MS. 1, p. 103.) Graduate of this name took their M.A. at Oxford in 1610 (Foster) and at Cambridge in 1613 (Venn).

[4] **Bladen.** Succeeded Butler. Aforementioned augmentation paid him c. 1658. (Lamb. MS. 994, p. 142.) Became vicar of Ashowes, q.v.

[5] **Cook.** Vicar of Ecclesfield 1662-8. Became rector of Northenden, Ches., in 1668 (Cheqsey). As vicar certified the lands here and at Ecclesfield in 1666. Six Cambridge graduates of this name took their degrees between 1651-61 (Venn).

[6] **Pritchard.** Probably B.A. 1613-4 King's Coll. Camb. Became rector of Preston-upon-the-Wild-Moors c. 1620 (Cheqsey).

[7] **Corbet.** Mentioned by Gregory.

ALDRIDGE

In 1503 a rectory, with an unused chapel of ease at Burr, in Tamworth D.

Ch. Ord., 14 May 1554: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 copper cross; 1 blue damask cope; 2 suites of vestments, 1 of cutlet, 1 white; 1 black vestment; 3 bells (4); 1 sanctus bell (4), 1 hand bell; 2 alter cloths; 1 surplice. **Ch. wdn.:** Ilen Wigram & Thos Stone.

In 1601 there were many recusants here.

Patrons: 1552 John Dore, 1575 Mr Scotte from Margaret countess of Hereford, 1622 canon Robt Master LL.D.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	w.p. 26 Sep. 1556	Philip Wylden [1]
18 Jan. 1556-7	w.p. 20 Feb. 1574-5	Edmund Walker [2]
21 Aug. 1575	bur. 21 Mar. 1621-2	John Scott B.A.? [3]
19 Mar. 1621-2	bur. 4 Sep. 1636	John Fulnetby B.D. [4]
22 Sep. 1636	bur. 14 Mar. 1682-3	Rich Pretty M.A. [5]
1683		Nathaniel Dolman B.A. [6]

Curate

occ. 1620 Edward Lane [7]

OBITS

The following obits were certified in 1548. The first sum is their net annual value, the second is the amount thereof spent on the poor or church repair.

John Gybbyns, one tenement, 4*s.* 0*d.*, 3*s.* 8*d.*

John Smyth & Symon Harley, one cottage, 5*s.* 0*d.*, 3*s.* 6*d.*

Elen Rawlynson, one tenement, 4*s.* 0*d.*, 3*s.* on the Aldridge poor and 6*d.* on the Walsall almeshouse (*b, c, r*).

BARR CHAPEL

Certified in 1548 that the priest here was paid by the rector of Aldridge; that there were endowments for the parish clerk of 7*s.* 4*d.* net p.a., for church repair of 8*s.* 0*d.* net p.a., for a lamp 1*s.* 0*d.* net p.a. and 4 sheep worth 6*s.* 8*d.*; and that there were 4 oz. of white plate, some ornaments worth 9*s.* 8*d.* and 2 bells at the end of the chapel (*b, c, r*).

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 little bell; 1 sanctus bell; 1 hand bell. One bell had been stolen by some one then unknown.

Curates

occ. 1533	Wm Schelfeld
c. 1550	no incumbent
occ. 1571-73	Nich Rathbone [8]
occ. 1593	Rich Dolphine [9]
occ. 1620	Daniel Joven
occ. 1651-6	John Hilton M.A.? [10]

OBIT

Certified in 1548 that John Northall had left a yearly rent of 2*s.* 8*d.*, of which the priest had 6*d.* and the poor 2*s.* 2*d.* (*b, c, r*).

RECTORS

occ. 1523	w.p. 20 Sep. 1550	Philip Wylkins
18 Jan. 1550-7	w.p. 20 Feb. 1557-8	Edmund Walker*
21 Aug. 1575	bur. 21 Mar. 1621-2	John Scott B.A.?*
19 Mar. 1621-2	bur. 4 Sep. 1639	John Fulmeby B.D.*
22 Sep. 1639	bur. 14 Mar. 1682-3	Jacob Pretty M.A.*
1683		Nathaniel Holman B.A.*

CURATE

occ. 1620	Edward Lange*

GIFTS

The following gifts were certified in 1548. The first sum is their net annual value, the second is the annual interest spent on the poor or church repair.

John Grybbyns, one tenement, 4s. 0d., 3s. 8d.

John Smyth & Symon Harley, one cottage, 3s. 0d., 2s. 6d.

Elen Rawlynson, one tenement, 4s. 0d., 3s. 6d. the Aldridge poor and 6d. on the Walsall almshouse (b. c. 1).

MARK CHAPEL

Certified in 1548 that the parish here was paid by the rector of Aldridge; that there were endowments for the parish clerk of 7s. 4d. net p.a., for church repair of 8s. 0d. net p.a., for a lamp 1s. 0d. net p.a. and 4 sheep worth 6s. 8d.; and that there were 4 oz. of white plate, some ornaments worth 6s. 8d. and 2 bells at the end of the chapel (b. c. 1).

Ch. Gm., 14 May 1553: 1 little bell; 1 sanctus bell; 1 hand bell. One bell had been stolen by some one then unknown.

CURATES

occ. 1533	Wm Schofield
c. 1550	no incumbent
occ. 1571-73	Nich. Rattlione*
occ. 1593	Rob. Dolphine*
occ. 1620	Daniel Jewsen
occ. 1631-0	John Hilton M.A.?*

DEBT

Certified in 1548 that John Northall had left a yearly rent of 2s. 8d., of which the priest had 6d. and the poor 2s. 2d. (b. c. 1).

NOTES

[1] **Wylden** or Weldon.

[2] **Walker.** Described as a chaplain when instituted. Subscribed in 1559 and buried here in Feb. 1574-5. Possibly curate of Salt chapel in 1533 and of Hopton chapel (q.v.) in 1548. Probably vicar of Wednesbury 1553-5.

[3] **Scott.** Scholaris oxoniensis et ad docendum gregem suum habilis et idoneus. Ordained priest and instituted by Thos Bentham. A priest of this name supplicated for his B.A. at Oxford on 24 Jan. 1558-9 (*Foster*), but if identical with this rector the 1593 return cannot be correct as to his ordination. Described as a good lawyer, but no preacher in 1604, when the rectory was worth 80*l*. Will pr. 26 Mar. 1622.

[4] **Fulnetby.** *See* **Handsworth.**

[5] **Pretty.** M.A. 1634 Oriel Coll. Ox., son of Thos Pretty of Yardley, Worc. (*Foster*). Vicar of Hampton-in-Arden 1636-47, preb. of Bobenhall 1660-83. Mentioned as the minister here in 1651-2 return, compelled to resign one of his two livings c. 1646 and resigned Hampton (*Walker*).

[6] **Dolman.** B.A. 1676 Magd. Hall, Ox., son of the vicar of Wombourn (*Foster*). Married Winifred Prettye (*Simms*).

[7] **Lane.** *See* **West Bromwich.**

[8] **Rathbone.** Paid subsidies of 6*s*. 8*d*. in 1571-3 (19-522, 523).

[9] **Dolphine.** Scholaris oxoniensis et in sacris litteris versatus. Became vicar of Wednesbury in 1597 on the presentation of the Crown. A preacher "sometimes preacheth" (1604 *return*, under Wednesbury). Will pr. 24 Ap. 1619.

[10] **Hilton.** B.A. 1631 S. John's Coll. Ox., ?M.A. 1637 Hart Hall. Son of Rich Hilton of Bloxham, Oxon, and brother of West Bromwich minister (*Foster*). Paid a subsidy of 6*s*. 8*d*. in 1661.

ALREWAS

In 1563 a vicarage appropriated to the preb. of Alrewas and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice, with paten; 1 green silk cope; 3 vestments, 1 of white silk, 1 of white bustian & 1 of red silk; 1 gilt copper cross; 3 altar cloths; 3 towels; 2 brazen candlesticks; 2 tin cruets; 1 brass censer; 4 streamer cloths, 1 of green silk, 1 of red silk, & 2 of painted linen cloth; 2 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell (*s*); 2 linen cloths & 1 surplice. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Clarke & John Birkeham.

NOTES

[1] **Wykeham** or Wodon.

[2] **Walker.** Deacon-as a chaplain when instituted, subscribed in 1559 and buried here in Feb. 1593-4. Possibly curate of Salt chapel in 1533 and of Hopton chapel (q.v.) in 1534. Probably vicar of Wednesbury 1553-5.

[3] **Scott.** Scholaris oxoniensis et ad decemlum, presbyter sanae habilis et idoneus. Ordained priest and instituted by Thos Lovetham. A priest of this name supplicated for his B.A. at Oxford on 24 Jan. 1558-9 (Foster), but it is doubtful with this rector the 1593 return cannot be correct as to his ordination. Described as a good lawyer, but no preacher in 1594, when the rectory was worth £6. Will pr. 20 Mar. 1602.

[4] **Pulseby.** See Bagnswerth.

[5] **Pretty.** B.A. 1771 Oriel Coll. Ox., son of Thos Pretty of Vandley, Worc. (Foster). Vicar of Hampton-in-Arden 1785-97, perp. of Bobenhall 1800-8; Mentioned as the minister here in 1787-2 return, compelled to resign one of his two livings c. 1840 and resigned Hampton (Walker).

[6] **Dolman.** B.A. 1850 Magd. Hall, Ox., son of the vicar of Wednesbury (Foster). Married Winifred Pretty (Simms).

[7] **Lane.** See West Bromwich.

[8] **Rathbone.** Paid subsidies of 6s. 8d. in 1571-3 (10 Eliz. 32-3).

[9] **Dolphine.** Scholaris oxoniensis et in sacris litteris versatus. Became vicar of Wednesbury in 1597 on the presentation of the Crown. A preacher "sometimes preacheth" (1604 return, under Wednesbury). Will pr. 24 Apr. 1619.

[10] **Hilton.** B.A. 1691 St John's Coll. Cam., M.A. 1697 Hart Hall. Son of Rich Hilton of Elkington, Oxon, and brother of West Bromwich minister (Foster). Paid a subsidy of 6s. 8d. in 1700.

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VICARS

	ob. 1530	Nich Tyrry
28 July 1530	res. 1531	Wm Collyer M.A.
18 Nov. 1531		John Lache [1]
occ. 1533	ob. 1545	Hugh Lache [2]
17 Oct. 1545 ff.	ob. 1568	Robt Alsop [3]
14 July 1568	bur. 10 Feb. 1619-20	John Falconer [4]
21 Ap. 1620	bur. 8 Feb. 1637-8	Wm Bocking M.A. [5]
23 Feb. 1637-8	occ. 1646	Rich Martin [6]
1646	ob. 11 Dec. 1657	John Bould B.A.? [7]
20 May 1658	ejected 1662	Thos Bladen [8]
5 Feb. 1662-3	occ. 1666	Isaac Sympson [9]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1549 that an ancient lord of Alrewas had given a cottage and lands to find a priest to sing mass in Our Lady's chapel for the souls of the ancestors of the said lord and for all Christian souls; that this service had continued until about 1545 and that the net annual value of this property was 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* (*c*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	Ralph Alen
occ. 1545	Robt Alsop [3]

NOTES

[1] [2] **Lache.** Either John was succeeded in or before 1533 by Hugh or, more probably, John is a clerical error for Hugh.

[3] **Alsop.** Originally the "Lady" priest here, instituted as vicar 11 Nov. 1545, and subscribed in 1559. The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 was not paid (19-506).

[4] **Falconer** or Fakener. Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris bene instructus. Ordained by Thos Bentham. Also held the rectory of Haughton. No preacher, a pluralist and non-resident (1604 *return*). Certainly living here in 1581 and buried here. In 1593 he had a curate at Haughton.

[5] **Bocking.** Will pr. 30 Ap. 1638 (*P.C.C.* 49 Lee).

[6] **Martin.** Possibly matric. c. 1591 S. John's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1598, B.D. 1606 (*Venn*). One of this name ejected from Monk's Kirby, Warw., 1662 (*Calamy*).

[7] **Bould.** Perhaps B.A. 1643-4 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Succeeded Martin in 1646 (*Stebbing Shaw*). Signed testimony in 1648

VICARS

	ob. 1540	Nich. Tyrry
28 July 1540	res. 1551	Wm. Colyer M.A.
18 Nov. 1551		John Lacke*
	occ. 1553	
17 Oct. 1555	ob. 1565	Hugh Lacke*
14 July 1565	ob. 1605	Robt. Alsop*
21 Apr. 1620	bur. 10 Feb. 1620-20	John Falconer*
23 Feb. 1637-8	bur. 8 Feb. 1637-8	Wm. Hocking M.A.*
	occ. 1640	Nich. Martin*
	1646	
20 May 1663	ob. 11 Dec. 1697	John Kendall B.A.?
5 Feb. 1702-3	elected 1662	Thos. Hladon*
	occ. 1706	Isaac Sympson*

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1549 that an ancient lord of Alderwas had given a cottage and lands to find a priest to sing masses in Our Lady's chapel for the souls of the ancestors of the said lord and for all Christian souls; that this service had continued until about 1545 and that the net annual value of the property was 11 os. 8d. (a).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1553	Ralph Alsop
occ. 1545	Robt. Alsop*

NOTES

* Lacke. Either John was succeeded in or before 1553 by Hugh or, more probably, John is a clerical error for Hugh.

* Alsop. Originally the "Lady" priest here, instituted as vicar 11 Nov. 1545, and subscribed in 1554. The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1555 was not paid (10 5os).

* Patroner or Patrons. Scholastic rights et in aeris liberis hereditatibus. Ordained by Thos. Bentham. Can hold the vicarage of Haughton. No provision, a plurality and non-resident (Act 28 Hen. 8). Certainly living here in 1551 and buried here. In 1553 he was a tenant at Haughton.

* Hocking. Will pr. 20 Apr. 1638 (P.C.C. 30 Lee).

* Martin. Possibly matric. 2. Jun. 5. John's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1505, B.D. 1606 (Venn). One of the name resided from Moulton, Kirby, Wares, 1605 (Calendar).

* Bennet. Perhaps B.A. 1674-5 Jesus Coll. Camb. (Venn). Succeeded Martin in 1656 (Sparling Ms.). Signed Bentham in 1658

On 27 Aug. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted to an unnamed minister here, probably Bould, 50*l.* p.a. from various rents, etc., previously paid to Lichfield Cathedral to increase his maintenance, which at most was but 40 marks (i.e. 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*) (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 269). The augmentation actually paid to Bould was 24*l.* p.a. (*Lamb. MSS.* 976, p. 516; 978, p. 625; 981, p. 201), which was granted to his executors from his death on 11 Dec. 1657 till 25 Mar. 1658, as his wife Elizabeth looked after the parish during this interval. (*Lamb. MS.* 995, pp. 253, 254.)

[8] **Bladen.** Perhaps matric. 1655 at Camb. (*Venn*). Nominated by the trustees 20 May 1658, admitted by the commissioners, received the 24*l.* p.a. augmentation and paid subsidy of 10*s.* in 1661. (*Lamb. MSS.* 981, p. 20; 983, p. 103; 995, p. 261; etc.) Had been curate of Adbaston.

[9] **Sympson.** *See* **S. Mary's, Lichfield.**

ALSTONEFIELD

In 1563 a vicarage, with 3 chapels of ease, in Leek D., formerly approp. to Combermere Abbey.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 2 silver chalices with patens; 2 velvet copes, 1 blue, 1 red; 1 yellow & red sarsenet covering for the sepulchre; 3 vestments with albes, amices, stoles & fans, 1 of velvet, 1 of saie, 1 of bustian; 4 old vestments of saie & bustian; 1 albe; 2 stoles; 5 fans; 12 palls; 2 chasubles; 4 corporals; 5 old altar cloths; 4 towels; 1 covering for the font; 1 surplice; 1 rochet; 8 old banner cloths; 2 brass candlesticks; 3 brass crosses; 1 pair of brass censers; 2 wood paxes; 2 cruets; 1 lantern; 1 old veil; 3 great bells (*s*); 1 hand bell; 4 little bells; 1 pyx & covering therefor; 1 wood holywater stock; 1 pick & 1 spade to make graves with. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Cruchelborne & John Halle.

Patrons: 1564 Laurence Beresford & Thos Beresford.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. c. 1564	Hugh Sheldon [1]
(10 June 1562		Rich Smyth)? [2]
8 July 1564	ob. 1604	Robt Aston [3]
18 Oct. 1604		John Crofte
19 Sep. 1607	occ. 1638	Hugh Chaplain B.A.? [4]
18 Ap. 1638	occ. 1661	Gawin Hamilton M.A. [5]

1666		Thos Gould [6]
1667		Wm Lisett [7]
19 Mar. 1674-5	bur. 17 Mar. 1682-3	Roger Farmer M.A.? [8]
27 May 1683		Josias Rhodes
24 Nov. 1684	bur. 9 Feb. 1711-2	Edw Bishop B.A.? [9]
15 June 1712		Humphrey Repton [10]
5 Ap. 1714		Peter Parr

PRIESTS

	bur. 1 Aug. 1559	Rich Botte [11]
	bur. 28 Aug. 1559	Rich Wayne [12]

CURATES

	occ. 1569-73	Rich Smyth [2]
	occ. 6 June 1576	Hugh Morris [13]
May 1576		Thos Rudyard [13]
May 1577	bur. 2 Dec. 1617	Francis Paddy [14]
	occ. 1586-92	James Hambleton [13]
	occ. 1666	Robt Taylor [15]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1548 that a yearly rent of 10*s.* 10*d.* had been given by persons then unknown for "Our Lady's priest" daily to sing mass in the parish church and that there were no plate or ornaments then belonging to this service (*b, r*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	Rich Bunshall
in 1548	No incumbent (*c*)

THE GUILD OF BLESSED MARY

In 1567 a piece of pasture here worth 6*s.* 8*d.* p.a. belonging to this Guild was discovered by Robt Hurleston and leased by the Crown to him for 21 years. [16]

ELKSTONE CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

In 1552 the ch. orns. were in the hands of John Legg? priest (*h, m*).

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 old vestment with an albe, amice,

stole, and fan; 1 altar cloth; 1 towel; 1 little bell (*s*). **Chap. wds.:** Thos Hansorde & James Belfield.

CURATES

(occ. 1552	John Legg)? (*h, m*)
occ. 1593	a curate[17]
occ. 1602-4	Rich Bullock[18]
occ. 1620	Geo Salt

LONGNOR CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Certified in 1549 to be endowed with a toll of 1*d.* for every covered booth and ½*d.* for every open stand at each of the 4 yearly fairs at Longnor, value 4*s.* 0*d.* net p.a. There were 3 oz. of white plate and certain ornaments, not then valued, because the inhabitants asked that they should remain for their ease, as the chapel was 4 miles from the parish church (*e*).

Ch. Orn., 22 May 1553: 1 vestment; 1 albe; 1 altar cloth; 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 bell; 1 hand bell; 1 cross of wood; 1 surplice; 1 laver. **Chap. wds.:** Hen Manyfold & John Woode.

CURATES

bur. 30 Sep. 1554	Geo Shore
occ. 1593	a curate[19]
occ. 1604-2	Hum Godwin[20]
occ. 1620, bur. 12 July 1653	Robt Holme

WARSLOW CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Ch. Orn., 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 altar cloth; 1 vestment of red saie with albe, amice, stole & fan; 1 towel; 1 little bell; 1 bell hanging in the chapel.

In 1552 these ornaments with 20 nobles or 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* were discovered in the hands of Rich Smith of Warslow (*h, m*).

CURATES

bur. 18 Sep. 1553	John Leigh
bur. 28 Nov. 1585	Rich Blackhurst
occ. 1593	a curate[19]

stole, and fan; 1 altar cloth; 1 towel; 1 little bell (2). Chap. wks.: Thos Hancocke & James Fulfield.

CURATES

(occ. 1552)	John Legg[?] (4, m)
occ. 1593	a curate [1]
occ. 1603-4	Rich Bullock [1]
occ. 1620	Geo Salt

LONGNOR CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Certified in 1584 to be endowed with a toft of 1d. for every covered-hooth and ½d. for every open stand at each of the 4 yearly fairs at Longnor, value 4s. 0d., net 0s. There were 3 os. of white plate and certain ornaments, not then valued, because the inhabitants asked that they should remain for their use, as the chapel was a mile from the parish church (6).

Ch. Orn., 22 May 1552: 1 vestment; 1 albe; 1 altar cloth; 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 bell; 1 hand bell; 1 cross of wood; 1 surplice; 1 lever. Chap. wks.: Hen Mayfield & John Woode.

CURATES

bur. 30 Sep. 1554	Geo Shore
occ. 1593	a curate [1]
occ. 1604-2	Hum Godwin [2]
occ. 1620, bur. 12 July 1633	Robt Hobne

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In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Ch. Orn., 1553: 1 silver chalice with patten; 1 altar cloth; 1 vestment of red sayn with albe, amice, stole & fan; 1 towel; 1 little bell; 1 bell hanging in the chapel.

In 1552 these ornaments with 20 nobles or 2l. 13s. 4d. were discovered in the hands of Rich Smith of Warslow (6, m).

CURATES

bur. 18 Sep. 1553	John Leigh
bur. 25 Nov. 1585	Rich Blackhurst
occ. 1593	a curate [1]

occ. 1602	?bur. 20 Sep. 1621	Hen Smith [21]
occ. 1620		Geo Hambleton [22]
	bur. 10 Jan. 1655-6	Rich Berisford [23]

NOTES

[1] **Sheldon.** Subscribed in 1559. The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 was not paid when due (19-506).

[2] **Smyth.** Presented by the Crown to this vicarage on the petition of Mr Stanhope (*Lans. MS.* 443), but does not seem to have been instituted (*see next note*). Occurs as curate in the register in 1569-70-71 and Mar. 1572-3. One of this name was buried in the church 11 July 1591 and another described as clerk on 21 Nov. 1592. The parish register records that Roger (*sic*) Smythe, being lately authorized by the bishop to preach, did make a " predicacion " on 18 Oct. and 8 Nov. 1573.

[3] **Aston.** Scholaris ruralis et mediocriter doctus. No preacher, non-resident, pluralist, a grievous swearer, whoremaster, drunkard and very unlearned (1604 *return*). Ordained deacon Nov. 1567. Although appointed vicar in 1564 on the death of Sheldon (*Dioc. Reg.*), the parish register states that he did not enter the parish as vicar until 14 Mar. 1572-3. Also rector of Standon, where buried 2 Aug. 1604. Will pr. 7 Aug. 1604. Vicarage worth 30*l.* in 1604.

[4] **Chaplain.** Probably B.A. 1603-4 Magd. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Elizabeth his wife was buried here 3 Jan. 1638-9 and his daughter on 30 Oct. 1652.

[5] **Hamilton.** On 1 Ap. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted him 50*l.* p.a. from the profits of the impropriate rectory of Alstonefield sequestered from Sir John Harpur kt, as his tithes brought in in the best times but 40*l.* and " in these times " but 10*l.* p.a. Harpur was also ordered to restore the vicarage house. (*Bod. MS.* 322, p. 275.) On 18 Sep. 1646 the committee varied this order by granting him the 50*l.* p.a. from the profits of the impropriate rectory of Pattingham, sequestered from Sir Robt Mosly, delinquent, instead of from the rectory of Alstonefield. (*Bod. MS.* 322, p. 360.) Hamilton signed the testimony in 1648 and paid a subsidy of 10*s.* in 1661.

[6] **Gould,** [7] **Lisett.** Mentioned in a list of vicars printed by Rev. Wm Beresford.

[8] **Farmer.** Probably M.A. 1640 Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[9] **Bishop.** Probably the B.A. of Peterhouse Coll. Camb., who was ordained deacon by Hackett 31 Dec. 1662 and priest 21 Feb. 1663-4.

[10] **Repton.** *See* **Weston-on-Trent.**

[11] **Botte.** Mentioned as priest in register.

occ. 1662 – 1700, 20 Sep. 1671	Hen Smith[10]
occ. 1670	Geo Hamilton[11]
bur. 10 Jan. 1675-6	Kich Hersford[12]

NOTES

[1] **Sheldon.** Subscribed in 1559. The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1565 was not paid when due (29-500).

[2] **Smyth.** Presented by the Crown in this vicarage on the petition of Mr Stanhope (Lees, MS. 413), but does not seem to have been instituted (see next note). Occurs as curate in the register in 1576-77 and Mar. 1572-3. One of this name was buried in the church 11 July 1590 and another described as clerk on 21 Nov. 1592. The parish register records that Roger (sic) Smythe, being lately authorised by the bishop to preach, did make a "predication" on 13 Oct and 8 Nov. 1573.

[3] **Aston.** Scholaris rusticus et malicorifer doctus. No preacher, non-resident, pluralist, a grievous swearer, whoremaster, drunkard and very unlearned (1604 return). Ordained deacon Nov. 1574. Although appointed vicar in 1584 on the death of Sheldon (Lincs. Reg.), the parish register states that he did not enter the parish as vicar until 14 Mar. 1572-3. Also rector of Stanton, where buried 2 Aug. 1604. Will pr. 7 Aug. 1604. Vicarage worth 30l in 1584.

[4] **Chaplain.** Probably B.A. 1603-4 Magd. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Elizabeth his wife was buried here 1 Jan. 1635-6 and his daughter on 30 Oct. 1634.

[5] **Hamilton.** On 1 Ap. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted him 50l. p.a. from the profits of the impropriate rectory of Alstonefield sequestered from Sir John Harpur kt. as his tithes brought in in the best times but 40l. and "in times" but 10l. p.a. Harpur was also ordered to restore the vicarage house. (Ind. MS. 324, p. 235.) On 18 Sep. 1646 the committee varied this order by granting him the 50l. p.a. from the profits of the impropriate rectory of Pattingham, sequestered from Sir Robt Mesey, delinquent, instead of from the rectory of Alstonefield. (Ind. MS. 324, p. 300.) Hamilton signed the testimony in 1648 and paid a subsidy of 10s. in 1661.

[6] **Gould.** Listed. Mentioned in a list of vicars printed by Rev. Wm. Beresford.

[7] **Farmer.** Probably M.A. 1640 Emman. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[8] **Bishop.** Probably the B.A. of Peterhouse Coll. Camb., who was ordained deacon by Blackett 21 Dec. 1664 and priest 21 Feb. 1665-6.

[9] **Repton.** See Weston-on-Trent.

[10] **Hotte.** Mentioned as priest in register.

[12] **Wayne.** Mentioned as priest in register. Perhaps had been chantry priest at Anslow 1535 and/or at Uttoxeter 1548.

[13] **Morris, Rudyard, Hambleton.** All mentioned in register. Rudyard " entered " in May 1576. *See* **Sheen.**

[14] **Paddy.** Scholaris ruralis et mediocriter doctus. A worldling, no degree, no preacher (1602-4 *returns*). Ordained by Thos Bentham. Entered as curate in May 1577 (*Par. Reg.*) and paid subsidies of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1580 and 1586 (19-533, 535).

[15] **Taylor.** Certified the number of hearths as curate in 1666.

[16] *Leases*, Roll II, no. 18.

[17] **Curate.** Rest blank in 1593 return.

[18] **Bullock.** No preacher, reader and young scholar, going to a grammar school all the week. Stipend 1*l.* p.a. and " Holyday " board (1604 *return*).

[19] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[20] **Godwin.** No preacher, a lay reader, no degree (1602-4 *returns*).

[21] **Smith.** Same as Godwin.

[22] **Hambleton.** *See* **Butterton.**

[23] **Berisford.** Mentioned in burial register as " sometime " curate of Warslow.

ALTON

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapel, in Leek D., formerly approp. to the Abbey of Croxden.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 pewter chalice; 1 brass pyx; 2 corporals with cases; 4 vestments; 4 amices; 3 albes; 2 copes bordered with flowers; 1 surplice; 9 altar cloths; 7 towels; 1 veil cloth; 1 cross cloth; 5 banner cloths; 3 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 1 sacring bell; 1 brass chrismatory; 3 cruets; 2 brass crosses; 1 wood cross; 3 coffers; 3 brass candlesticks. **Ch. wds.:** Nich Key, Wm Gledenhurste & Wm Hewet.

Patrons: 1569 the Crown, 1604 Robt Meverell and — Hering.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1545	John Holme [1]
6 Jan. 1545-6 ff.	?ob. 1569	John Stanley [2]
4 July 1569	w.p. 11 Jan. 1610-1	Thos Rawlin [3]
29 Dec. 1610	occ. 1633	James Rawlin B.A.? [4]
	occ. 1651-2	Wm Armitt M.A.? [5]
1661	res. 1662	Thos Broad M.A.? [6]
15 Dec. 1662	occ. 1666	Ralph Wooley [7]
1681		John Repton B.A. [8]

[12] **Wayne.** Mentioned as priest in register. Perhaps had been chantry priest at Ashbourne 1553 and/or at Litchfield 1558.

[13] **Morris, Rudyard, Hamblelon.** All mentioned in register. Rudyard " entered " in May 1570. See Sneyd.

[14] **Pardy.** Scholaris medicinae et medicinariae doctor. A worldling, no degree, no preacher (1607: 4 persons). Ordained by Thos Bentham. Entered as curate in May 1577 (Reg. Reg.) and paid subsidies of 6s. 8d. in 1580 and 1586 (10 514, 533).

[15] **Taylor.** Certified the number of hearth as curate in 1606.

[16] **Lacaze,** Roll 11, no. 18.

[17] **Curate.** Rent blank in 1593 return.

[18] **Bullock.** No preacher, reader and young scholar, going to a grammar school all the week. Stipend 1l. pa. and " Holyday " board (1604 return).

[19] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[20] **Godwin.** No preacher, a lay reader, no degree (1602-4 returns).

[21] **Smith.** Same as Godwin.

[22] **Hamblelon.** See Butterton.

[23] **Berisford.** Mentioned in burial register as " sometime " curate of Warslow.

ALTON

In 1593 a vicarage, without any annexed chapel, in Leek D., formerly appropr. to the Abbey of Croxden.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 pewter chalice; 1 brass pyx, 2 corporals with cases; 4 vestments; 4 amices; 3 albes, 2 copes bordered with flowers; 1 surplice, 9 altar cloths, 7 towels; 1 veil cloth; 1 cross cloth; 5 banner cloths; 3 bells (s); 1 sanctus bell; 1 sacring bell; 1 brass chrismatory; 3 crucis; 2 brass crosses; 1 wood cross; 2 coffers; 2 brass candlesticks. **Ch. wds.:** Nich Ray, Wm Glendhurste & Wm Hewet.

Patrons: 1569 the Crown, 1604 Robt Meyrell and — Hering.

VICARS

	occ. 1533 ob. 1545	John Holme
6 Jan. 1545-6 n.	ob. 1569	John Stanley
4 July 1569	w.p. 11 Jan. 1610-1	Thos Rawlin
29 Dec. 1610	occ. 1633	James Rawlin B.A.?
	occ. 1651-2	Wm Arnitt M.A.?
1661	res. 1663	Thos Broad M.A.?
15 Dec. 1664	occ. 1666	Ralph Woolley
	1681	John Repton B.A.

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1548 that John Lovett had left lands worth 15*s.* net p.a. to find a priest to sing (mass) in the church for all Christian souls for ever and that another donor then unknown had given 12*s.* in money for the same (*b*). Certified in 1549 that Phelop? Worth, widow, had given a croft in Cheadle worth 10*s.* net p.a. to "Our Lady's priest" here (*e*). This croft was then owned by Anthony Rowseley of Bradshaw, co. Derby.[9] The possessions of this service were valued c. 1550 at 1*l.* 9*s.* 0*d.* (*r*). Discovered in April 1553 that John Hulme, priest, had purchased for the use of the same 1 messuage, etc., at Farley worth 9*s.* net p.a. and 3 cottages[10] in Alton worth respectively 4*s.*, 3*s.* and 2*s.* net p.a.; also that there was 4*l.* in money belonging to the same (*n*). Probably this 4*l.* came from the sale of 6 kine, which had belonged to this service in 1552 (*h, m*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	Thos Horpe[11]
occ. c. 1545	Robt Shenton (*n*)
in 1548	No incumbent (*n*)

NOTES

[1] **Holme.** Paid tax of 8*s.* as vicar in 1533. One of this name, the vicar of Woodford, Ches., paid the Exchequer 2*s.* rent for some property here in 1559. (*Ministers' Accounts, Eliz.* 2015.)

[2] **Stanley.** Subscribed in 1559, occurs in the Act Book of 1560 as vicar. Probably died in 1569, as Rawlin was appointed on the death of an unnamed predecessor.

[3] **Rawlin** (Thos). Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris incumbens. No preacher, ignorant (1604 *return*). No degree (1602 *return*). Ordained by Thos Bentham and presented to this vicarage by the Crown. Vicarage worth 30*l.* in 1604.

[4] **Rawlin** (Jas). Perhaps B.A. 1603 S. Edmund Hall, Ox. (*Foster*, under Rawlings). Mentioned in will of Godfrey Needham of Alton, pr. 1633.

[5] **Armitt.** *See* **Biddulph.**

[6] **Broad.** Probably M.A. 1655 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*) and/or M.A. 1661 Ox. (*Foster*). If so, ordained by Hackett both deacon and priest on 13 July 1662. Probably rector of Swynnerton 1662-1703 and possibly also rector of Aylton, co. Hereford, 1663—?

[7] **Wooley.** No degree, ordained by Hackett both deacon and priest 14 Dec. 1662.

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1548 that John Lovett had left lands worth 12s. net p.a. to find a priest to sing (mass) in the church for all Christian souls for ever and that another donor then unknown had given 12s. in money for the same (h). Certified in 1549 that Philip[1] Worth, widow, had given a croft in Cheadle worth 10s. net p.a. to "Our Lady's priest" here (x). This croft was then owned by Anthony Bowdey of Bradshaw, co. Derby.[2] The possessions of this service were valued c. 1550 at 1l. 0d. (y). Discovered in April 1553 that John Haine, priest, had purchased for the use of the same 1 messuage, etc., at Derby worth 9s. net p.a. and 3 cottages[10] in Alton worth respectively 4s., 3s. and 2s. net p.a.; also that there was 4l. in money belonging to the same (z). Probably this 4l. came from the sale of 5 kine, which had belonged to this service in 1553 (b, w).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	Thos Hope[3]
occ. c. 1545	Robt Shenton (n)
in 1548	No incumbent (n)

NOTES

[1] Philip. Paid tax of 8s. as widow in 1553. One of this name, the vicar of Woodford, Ches., paid the Exchequer 2s. tenth for same property here in 1550. (Miscellaneous Accounts, Exch. 2015.)

[2] Stanley. Subscribed in 1553, petition in the Act Book of 1560 as vicar. Probably died in 1560, as Rawlin was appointed on the death of an unnamed predecessor.

[3] Rawlin (Thos). Scholaris mulis et in sacris litteris incumbens. No graduate, ignorant (1562, 1564). No degree (1567 return). Ordained by Thos Bentham and presented to this vicarage by the Crown. Vicarage worth 30l. in 1563.

[4] Rawlin (Jas). Perhaps B.A. 1603 S. Edmund Hall, Ox. (Foster, under Rawlings). Mentioned in will of Godfrey Nevillam of Alton, pr. 1613.

[5] Arnilt. See Blakelyh.

[6] Brook. Probably M.A. 1655 Jesus Coll. Camb. (Venn) and/or M.A. 1661 Ox. (Foster). Ll. 50. ordained by Hackett both deacon and priest on 12 July 1662. Probably rector of Swynnerton 1665-1703 and possibly also rector of Alton, co. Hereford, 1663—?

[7] Wooley. No degree, ordained by Hackett both deacon and priest 14 Dec. 1662.

[8] **Repton.** B.A. 1680 Brasenose Coll. Ox., son of Humphrey Repton, curate of Norton-in-the-moors (*Foster*). Became rector of Stoke-on-Trent in 1692.

[9] *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 522, pp. 39, 40.

[10] Messuage and cottages in the tenure of Peter Richardson; Wm Morise?, Morreys? or Marys?; Alex. Shaw and Nich Smith.

[11] **Horpe.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

ARLEY

In 1563 a church, without any annexed chapels, appropriate to the dean and chapter of Lichfield and subject to their peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 15 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments, 1 of green Turkish satin, 1 of crimson Bruges satin; 2 copes, 1 of green Bruges satin, 1 of crimson linen cloth; 2 brazen candlesticks; 3 great bells; 1 sanctus bell. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Holway & John Broune.

See the *Annals of Arley*, by the Rev. H. R. Mayo, M.A., vicar of Arley, for particulars about the earlier and later incumbents of this parish.

VICARS

occ. 1575-77		Philip Tusten[1]
(occ. 1578		Josua Tusten)?[2]
occ. 1600-29		Wm Greene[3]
1629	bur. 4 Mar. 1659-60	John Thomase[4]
28 Oct 1658	eject. 1660	John Orford[5]
occ. 1665		Edw Mackerum?[6]
1666	res. 1682	John Waldron[7]
1683		Thos Parkes

NOTES

[1] **Tusten** (Philip). Mentioned as minister in register.

[2] **Tusten** (Josua). Mentioned as "clarke of this church" in register.

[3] **Greene.** Mentioned in register as curate and minister of God's word.

[4] **Thomase.** Mentioned in register. Arley is not mentioned in return of 1651-2.

[5] **Orford.** Nominated by trustees for this cure on 28 Oct. 1658, received augmentation of 55*l.* and/or 40*l.* (*Lamb. MSS.* 983, p. 130; 981, p. 22; 994, p. 142), "outed" 1660 (*Par. Reg.*).

[8] Repton, B.A. 1660 Brasenose Coll. Oxf., son of Humphrey Repton, curate of Norton-in-the-moors (Ayelw), became rector of Stoke-on-Trent in 1662.

[9] Aug. Mar. 24, 522, pp. 39, 40.

[10] Messuages and cottages in the tenure of Peter Richardson; Wm Morfey, Morrey? or Marys? Alex. Shaw and Neh Smith.

[11] Hope. Paid tax of 3s. 4d. in 1533.

ARLEY

In 1563 a church, without any annexed chapels, appurtenant to the dean and chapter of Lichfield and subject to their peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 15 May 1552: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments, 1 of green English satin, 1 of crimson Bruges satin; 2 copes, 1 of green Bruges satin, 1 of crimson linen cloth; 2 brazen candlesticks; 3 great bells; 1 sanctus bell. Ch. wds.: Thos Holway & John Browne.

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VICARS

	occ. 1575-77	Philip Tusten[1]
	(occ. 1578	Josias Tusten?)[2]
	occ. 1600-29	Wm Greene[3]
1629	bur. 4 Mar. 1639-60	John Thomasse[4]
28 Oct 1658	elect. 1660	John Orford[5]
	occ. 1665	Edw Mackerum?[6]
1666	res. 1682	John Waldron[7]
1683		Thos Parkes

NOTES

[1] Tusten (Philip). Mentioned as minister in register.

[2] Tusten (Josias). Mentioned as "clerke of this church" in register.

[3] Greene. Mentioned in register as curate and minister of Cotwald.

[4] Thomasse. Mentioned in register. Arley is not mentioned in return of 1651-2.

[5] Orford. Nominated by trustees for this cure on 28 Oct. 1658, received augmentation of 53*l.* and/or 10*l.* (Lond. M.S.S. 953, p. 130; 951, p. 22; 904, p. 194), "outed" 1660 (Ant. Reg.).

[6] **Mackerum.** The last four letters of his name are doubtful. Certified the number of hearths here as minister c. 1665.

[7] **Waldron.** Expressed his feelings on resigning this cure by writing in register "Ingrata parochia, ne ossa mea quidem habes": O ungrateful parish, you have not even my bones.

ARMITAGE

In 1563 a church, without any chapels of ease, approp. to the preb. of Hansacre and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 corporals & 3 cases; 2 copes, 1 of tawny Bruges satin & 1 of "cheker"; 4 vestments; 6 towels; 6 altar cloths; 3 brass candlesticks; 1 coverlet; 1 wood cross; 2 cruets; 2 streamers; 1 veil; 1 brass pyx; 1 chrismatory; 1 lead holywater stock; 2 bells (*s*); 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell. **Ch. wds.:** Robt Knosall & Rich Lelie.

CURATES

	occ. 1533	Wm Hill [1]
	occ. 1626	Thos Hargreve [2]
6 Jan. 1646-7	occ. c. Dec. 1651	Philip Sharpe B.A.? [3]
3 May 1654	?eject. 1661	Nathaniel Mansfield M.A. [4]
	occ. Jan. 1661-2	— Brierly [5]
	occ. 1663	John Ashbrook [6]
	occ. c. 1666	Josias Deane [7]

A LAMP

Certified in 1548 that a lord of Hansacre had left land then worth 2*d*. net p.a. for a lamp to be maintained in this church (*b, r*).

NOTES

[1] **Hill.** Paid tax of 5*s*. 4*d*. in 1533. *See* **Longdon.**

[2] **Hargreve.** Mentioned in transcripts, formerly curate of Weeford.

[3] **Sharpe.** Probably B.A. 1647 Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). A "godly and painful minister," preacher at Kings Bromley in 1648, signed testimony in that year, became minister at Burton (q.v.) in Dec. 1651. By an order of the committee for plundered ministers dated 12 May 1647 an augmentation of 6*l*. out of this impropriate rectory was granted to an unnamed minister here, and in Oct. 1650 it

[6] **Mackerrum.** The last four letters of his name are doubtful. Certified the number of benefits he as minister c. 1699.

[7] **Walden.** Expressed his indulge on resigning this cure by writing in register "Integra patrocinio, ne ovis mea quidem balve." O ungratefull parish, you have not even my bones.

ARMITAGE

In 1563 a church, without any chapels of ease, appropr. to the preb. of Hanmere and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 corporals & 3 cases; 2 copes, 1 of tawny Bruges satin & 1 of "cloth"; 4 vestments; 6 towels; 6 altar cloths; 3 brass candlesticks; 1 cowrtel; 1 wood cross; 2 crucis; 2 streamers; 1 veil; 1 brass pyx; 1 chrismatory; 1 lead holywater stock; 2 bells (s); 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell. Ch. wds.: Robt Kroscell & Rich Lelie.

CURATES

	occ. 1533	Wm Hill[1]
	occ. 1570	Thos Hargreve[2]
6 Jan. 1646–7	occ. c. Dec. 1651	Philip Sharpe B.A.[3]
3 May 1654	deject. 1661	Nathaniel Mansfield M.A.[4]
	occ. Jan. 1662–3	— Bretty[5]
	occ. 1663	John Ashbrook[6]
	occ. c. 1666	Jonas Deane[7]

A LAMP

Certified in 1548 that a lord of Hanmere had left land then worth 2d. net p.a. for a lamp to be maintained in this church (6, 7).

NOTES

[1] **Hill.** Paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1553. See Longdon.

[2] **Hargreve.** Mentioned in transcripts, formerly curate of Wreford.

[3] **Sharpe.** Probably B.A. 1617 Emman. Coll. Camb. ("Venn). A "godly and painful minister," preacher at Kings Bromley in 1648, signed testimony in that year, became minister at Burton (p. v.) in Dec. 1651. By an order of the committee by plenipotent ministers dated 12 May 1654 an augmentation of £6 out of this impropriate rectory was granted to an unnamed minister here and in Cat. 1660 it

was ordered to be paid to Sharpe with arrears from 6 Jan. 1646-7. (*Bod. MS.* 327, pp. 484-5.) Next year he was in receipt of an augmentation of 46*l.* p.a. (*Lamb. MSS.* 976, p. 323; cf. 979, p. 358, and 978, p. 624.)

[4] **Mansfield.** B.A. 1651 Corpus Ch. Ox., M.A. 1654 Peterhouse Coll. Camb. (*Foster* and *Venn*). Appointed to this curacy by the trustees, received an augmentation of 50*l.* p.a. for 5 or 6 years. (*Lamb. MSS.* 1017, p. 5; 973, p. 675; 994, p. 142.) Said to have been ejected in 1662 (*sic*) and afterwards to have lived at Wolverhampton and Walsall (*Calamy, Simms*, etc.).

[5] **Brierly.** Paid subsidy of 5*s.* in 1661. *See* **Wichnor.**

[6] **Ashbrook.** Signed transcripts in 1663, became vicar of Harborne in 1668.

[7] **Deane.** *See* **Sandon.**

ASHLEY

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 4 old vestments; 3 albes; 3 altar cloths; 2 towels; 2 surplices; 1 old censer; 2 coffers; 2 old copes; 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 cruets; 1 copper pyx; 1 cloth to put over a box with "oyle & crem."; 1 copper cross, partly gilt; 3 small bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 2 sacring bells; 1 painted cloth. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Cradock & Rich Anwell.

Patrons: 1574-1625 the Gerrards (*S. H. C.*, XIII, p. 229), 1630 Sir Rowland Cotton kt.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	res. 1536	Andrew Rode
23 Mar. 1536-7		John Hampton
12 Feb. 1542-3 ff.	w.p. 2 Ap. 1551	Rich Aston
28 Ap. 1551 ff.	bur. 12 Feb. 1573-4	Andrew Bowyer [1]
10 July 1574	w.p. 31 Oct. 1606	Robt Freeman B.A. [2]
13 Jan. 1607-8	ob. 8 Sep. 1630	Edward Shipton M.A. [3]
15 Sep. 1630	ob. 6 Dec. 1675	John Lightfoot D.D. [4]
22 Jan. 1675-6	bur. 17 Nov. 1683	Josiah Lightfoot jun. [5]
1683		Chas Shaw [6]

CURATES

occ. 1533	Rich Bryne [7]
occ. 1560	— Broke [8]
occ. 1576	Francis Purdy [9]

was ordered to be paid to Sharpe with arrears from 6 Jan. 1646-7. (Bod. MS. 327, pp. 484-5.) Next year he was in receipt of an augmentation of 40l. p.a. (Lamb. MSS. 976, p. 243; cf. 979, p. 158, and 978, p. 62.)

[4] **Mansfield.** B.A. 1662 Corpus Ch. Ox., M.A. 1664 Peterhouse Coll. Camb. (Foster and Venn). Appointed to this living by the trustees, received an augmentation of 50l. p.a. for 5 or 6 years. (Lamb. MSS. 1017, p. 51; 972, p. 675; 994, p. 142.) Said to have been ejected in 1662 (sic) and afterwards to have lived at Wolverhampton and Walsall (Calamy, Skinner, etc.).

[5] **Brierly.** Had subsidy of 5s. in 1661: See Wetlinge.

[6] **Ashbrook.** Signed transcripts in 1669, became vicar of Harborne in 1668.

[7] **Deane.** See Sandon.

ASHLEY

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 4 old vestments; 3 albes; 3 alter cloths; 2 towels; 2 surplices; 1 old censar; 2 coffers; 2 old copes; 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 cruets; 1 copper pyx; 1 cloth to put over a box with "oyle & cream"; 1 copper cross, partly gilt; 3 small bells (s); 1 sanctus bell; 2 sacring bells; 1 painted cloth. Ch. wds.: Wm Cradock & Rich Anwell.

Patrons: 1574-1625 the Gerrards (S. R. C., xiii, p. 229), 1630 Sir Rowland Cotton kt.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	res. 1536	Andrew Rode
23 Mar. 1536-7		John Hampton
12 Feb. 1542-3	ff. w.p. 2 Ap. 1551	Rich Aston
28 Ap. 1551	ff. bur. 12 Feb. 1573-4	Andrew Bowyer [1]
10 July 1574	w.p. 31 Oct. 1609	Robt Freeman B.A. [2]
13 Jan. 1609-8	ob. 8 Sep. 1630	Edward Shipton M.A. [3]
15 Sep. 1630	ob. 6 Dec. 1675	John Lightfoot D.D. [4]
22 Jan. 1675-6	bur. 15 Nov. 1683	Josiah Lightfoot jun. [5]
1683		Chas Shaw [6]

CURATES

occ. 1533	Rich Bryne [7]
occ. 1560	— Brooke [8]
occ. 1576	Francis Purdy [9]

occ. 1628	Geo Dixon [10]
occ. 1629	Jo Podmore [11]
occ. 1632	Samuel Lightfoot M.A. [12]
occ. 1631-76	Josiah Lightfoot sen. [13]

NOTES

[1] **Bowyer.** Instituted 7 May 1551, subscribed 1559, formerly curate of Keele 1533, vicar also of Wolstanton 1548-74.

[2] **Freeman.** B.A. praedicator publicus, very slow in preaching (1604 *return*). Ordained by Thos Bentham. Rectory worth 30*l.* in 1604.

[3] **Shipton.** M.A. 1599 Brasenose Coll. Ox., son of Wm Shipton of Lombard Street, London (*Foster*). Appointed rector of Alderley, Ches., in 1625, so reinstituted here on 2 Sep. 1625 and paid first fruits for 2nd time 17 Nov. 1625.

[4] **Lightfoot** (John). Matric. 1617 Chr. Coll. Camb., master 1650 of Cath. Hall, Camb., D.D. 1651, vice-chancellor of Camb. 1654, preb. of Ely 1668-75, became one of the most prominent members of the Westminster Assembly of Divines, aided in Walton's *Polyglot Bible* in 1657, a voluminous writer. (*D. N. B.*, *Venn*, *Redfern*, p. 259, *Simms*, etc.)

[5] **Lightfoot** (Josiah, jun.). Inducted into this rectory by Josiah Lightfoot, sen., formerly curate at Stoke-on-Trent.

[6] **Shaw.** Became vicar of Madeley, where bur. 1702.

[7] **Bryne.** Paid tax of 6*s.* 2½*d.* as curate in 1533.

[8] **Broke.** Paid a subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1560 (19-508). One "Adam Broke" subscribed by proxy at Shrewsbury in 1559.

[9] **Purdy.** Paid a similar subsidy in 1576 (19-526).

[10] **Dixon.** Mentioned in par. reg., minister at Gayton in 1651-2.

[11] **Podmore.** Mentioned in par. reg., married Dorothy Abberley at Eccleshall in 1637.

[12] **Lightfoot** (Sam). M.A. 1635 Chr. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), brother of Josiah Lightfoot, sen. (*Redfern*, p. 261).

[13] **Lightfoot** (Josiah, sen.). Ordained deacon as "student" 16 Jan. 1630-1, acted as resident curate here for his absentee brother the rector, paid subsidy of 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* in 1661 and a tax on 7 hearths in 1666.

AUDLEY

In 1563 a vicarage, with 2 annexed chapels at Betley and Talk, in Newcastle D., formerly approp. to Hulton Abbey.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 2 silver chalices with patens; 4 vest-

occ. 1628	Geo Dixon [10]
occ. 1629	Jn Podmore [11]
occ. 1632	Samuel Lightfoot M.A. [12]
occ. 1671-76	Josiah Lightfoot sen. [13]

NOTES

[1] **Bowyer**, instituted 7 May 1551, subscribed 1559, formerly curate of Keele 1543, vicar also of Wolstanton 1547-54.

[2] **Freeman**, B.A. preacher, pluralist, very slow in preaching (1604 return). Ordained by Thos Bentham. Rectory worth 30l. in 1604.

[3] **Shipton**, M.A. 1590 Brasenose Coll. Ox., son of Wm Shipton of Longsdon Street, London (Foster). Appointed rector of Alderley, Ches., in 1625, so reinstituted here on a sep. 1625 and paid first fruits for 2nd time 17 Nov. 1625.

[4] **Lightfoot** (Josiah), Martin, 1677 Chr. Coll. Camb., master 1690 of Cath. Hall, Camb., D.D. 1691, vice-chancellor of Camb. 1694, preb. of Ely 1695-75, became one of the most prominent members of the Westminster Assembly of Divines, aided in Walton's Polyglot Bible in 1657, a voluminous writer. (D. N. B., Fenn, Redfern, p. 250, Simms, etc.)

[5] **Lightfoot** (Josiah, jun.). Inducted into this rectory by Josiah Lightfoot, sen., formerly curate at Stoke-on-Trent.

[6] **Shaw**. Became vicar of Madeley, where bur. 1700.

[7] **Bryne**. Paid tax of 6s. 4d. as curate in 1534.

[8] **Brooke**. Paid a subsidy of 6s. 8d. in 1560 (19 308). One "Adam Brooke" subscribed by proxy at Shrewsbury in 1559.

[9] **Purdy**. Paid a similar subsidy in 1576 (19-576).

[10] **Dixon**. Mentioned in par. reg., minister at Caynton in 1651-2.

[11] **Podmore**. Mentioned in par. reg., married Dorothy Abberley at Eccleshall in 1637.

[12] **Lightfoot** (Sam): M.A. 1635 Chr. Coll. Camb. (Fenn), brother of Josiah Lightfoot, sen. (Redfern, p. 201).

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AUDLEY

In 1565 a vicarage, with 2 annexed chapels at Betley and Talk, in Newcastle D., formerly appropr. to Hulton Abbey.

Ch. Gen., 14 May 1553: 2 silver chalices with patens; 4 vest-

ments, 1 of red Bruges satin, 1 of blue taffety, 1 of worsted, 1 of red silk; 4 albes; 2 copes, 1 of Bruges satin & 1 of "peculd" silk; 5 altar cloths; 2 towels; 1 brass censer; 4 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** John Garnet & John Welche.

Patrons: 1554 the Crown, 1562 Thos Bulkeley, 1604 — Beeche.

VICARS

occ. 1533	w.p. 26 Ap. 1542	Ralph Madocke
13 Ap. 1542	res. 1554?	Nicholas Harwar M.A.? [1]
1 Feb. 1553-4 ff.	res. 1561	Roger Houghton [2]
24 July 1562	occ. 1572	Andrew Beech [3]
2 July 1590	ejected 1646	Wm Kelsall [4]
8 July 1646	occ. 1648	John Smith B.A.? [5]
occ. 1650-59		Wm Overton M.A.? [6]
occ. 1661	ob. 1669	John Kelsall [7]
7 July 1669		Ralph Harpur B.A. [8]

S. KATHERINE'S AND S. MARGARET'S SERVICE

Discovered in 1552 to be possessed of 20*l.* in money, which was in the hands of John Bolton, the elder; Rich Parker; Rich Olcote; John Ryve, the elder; & John Smyth (*h, m*).

INCUMBENT

(w.p. 28 Ap. 1551 Thos Wylkynson)? [9]

BETLEY CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments; 2 albes; 2 copes; 3 bells (*s*); 1 hand bell; 1 altar cloth; 1 towel; 1 maslyn cross; 1 banner; 1 chrismatory; 1 cruet; 1 censer. **Ch. wds.:** John Hassal & Thos Massie.

CURATES

	w.p. 12 July 1532	John Poynton
occ. 1533		Wm Browne
(occ. 1549-50		John Pickstock)? [10]
	w.p. 20 Sep. 1557	Geoffrey Heath
23 Ap. 1581	occ. 1601	Hugh Tilston [11]
occ. 1602-4		Ralph Eaton [12]

ments, 1 of red Bruges satin, 1 of blue taffety, 1 of mocaddo, 1 of red silk; 4 albes; 2 copes, 1 of Bruges satin & 1 of "pecunld" silk; 5 altar cloths; 2 towels; 1 brass censer; 4 bells (?). Ch. wds.: John Garnet & John Welche.

Patrons: 1554 the Crown, 1562 Thos Bulkeley, 1604 — Beeche.

VICARS

occ. 1533	w.p. 26 Ap. 1542	Ralph Madocke
13 Ap. 1542	res. 1554?	Nicholas Harwar M.A.?*
1 Feb 1553-4 ff.	res. 1561	Roger Houghton*
24 July 1562	occ. 1572	Andrew Beech*
2 July 1590	elected 1616	Wm Kelsall*
8 July 1646	occ. 1648	John Smith B.A.?*
occ. 1650-59		Wm Overton M.A.?*
occ. 1661	ob. 1666	John Kelsall*
7 July 1666		Ralph Harpur B.A.*

S. KATHERINE'S AND S. MARGARET'S SERVICE

Discovered in 1552 to be possessed of 20l. in money, which was in the hands of John Bolton, the elder; Rich Parker; Rich Olcote; John Kyve, the elder; & John Smyth (6, m).

INCUMBENT

(w.p. 28 Ap. 1551 Thos Wylle (mason)?*

BETLEY CHAPEL

In 1565 a chapel of ease with cure.

Ch. Orn., 3 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments; 2 albes; 2 copes; 3 bells (?); 1 hand bell; 1 altar cloth; 1 towel; 1 masslyn cross; 1 banner; 1 chrismatory; 1 cruet; 1 censer. Ch. wds.: John Hassal & Thos Massie.

CURATES

	w.p. 12 July 1532	John Poynton
occ. 1533		Wm Browne
(occ. 1549-50		John Fickstock)?*
	w.p. 20 Sep. 1557	Geoffrey Heath
23 Ap. 1561	occ. 1601	Hugh Tilston*
occ. 1602-4		Ralph Eaton*

occ. 1604		Roger Barber[13]
occ. 1620	bur. 3 Dec. 1653	Ralph Hulme[14]
occ. 1663-6		Wm Cataline[15]

TALK CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 bell (*s*). 1 suite of vestments had been given up to Rich Forsett, surveyor. **Chap. wds.:** John Rylley & Rich Taylor.

CURATES

occ. 1533-50		Hugh Smith[16]
occ. 1593		a curate[17]
occ. 1604		Thos Beech[18]
in Sep. 1649		no incumbent[19]
occ. before 1652		Gabriel Smith[20]
4 July 1655		Ralph Murhall M.A.?[21]
occ. 1659	eject. 1662	Thos Pool B.A.?[22]
c. 1665		Geo Reeve B.A.?[23]

NOTES

[1] **Harwar.** Perhaps became vicar of Uttoxeter. If so, the first entry in the diocesan register (*see next note*) is erroneous.

[2] **Houghton,** Hawghton. Occurs thrice in the diocesan register, first as being instituted on 7 Mar. 1553-4 on the death of the last incumbent, second as being instituted on 21 May 1554, and lastly as "Harrington" as resigning on the appointment of Beech. As Houghton he subscribed in 1559. The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 was not paid (19-506).

[3] **Beech.** Mentioned in par. reg.

[4] **Kelsall.** Scholaris ruralis et sacrarum litterarum experitus (i.e. without any practical knowledge of the Scriptures). A mere worldling, no preacher, no degree. (1602-4 *returns*.) Ordained priest by Wm Overton 25 Jan. 1589-90. Vicarage sequestered from him as a delinquent on 8 July 1646 by committee for plundered ministers, but their order not enforced for a year. (*Add. MSS.* 15670, p. 302; 15671, p. 61.) Buried here 12 July 1649, will pr. 14 July. Vicarage worth 40 marks in 1604.

[5] **Smith.** Probably son of Wm Smith of Audley. If so, B.A. 1637 Magd. Hall, Ox. (*Foster*). (Another B.A. of this name was ordained priest by Bp Morton on 19 Sep. 1629.) On 8 July 1646 the committee for plundered ministers described him as a godly and orthodox divine and granted him this vicarage. He had a good deal of diffi-

occ. 1604		Roger Barber[1a]
occ. 1620	bur. 3 Dec. 1653	Ralph Haines[1a]
occ. 1663-6		Wm Cartlidge[1a]

IALA CIAER

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Ch. Dcn., 14 May 1553: 1 bell (s), 1 suits of vestments, had been given up to Rich. Fossett, surveyor. Chap. wks.: John Ryley & Rich. Taylor.

CURATES

occ. 1513-50		Hugh Smith[1b]
occ. 1593		a curate[1c]
occ. 1604		Thos Beech[1d]
in Sep. 1649		no incumbent[1e]
occ. before 1653		Gabriel Smith[1a]
4 July 1653		Ralph Mitchell M.A.?[1f]
occ. 1659	elect. 1662	Thos Pool B.A.?[1g]
c. 1665		Geo Reeve B.A.?[1h]

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[3] Beech. Mentioned in parr. reg.

[4] Kelsall. Scholaris rarilis et gaudium litterarum experitus (i.e. without any practical knowledge of the Scriptures). A mere worldling, no preacher, no degree. (1605-4 reviews.) Ordained priest by Wm Overton 25 Jan. 1580-90. Vicarage sequestered from him as a delinquent on 6 July 1646 by committee for plundered ministers but their order not enforced for a year. (Add. MSS. 15670, p. 302, 15672, p. 61.) Buried here 12 July 1660, will pr. 14 July. Vicarage worth 40 marks in 1604.

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culty in obtaining possession of it, for articles of complaint were brought against him in Nov. 1646, but no one appeared in support of them, so on 23 June 1647 the parliamentary comm. for Staffs. were instructed to assist him to enter the vicarage and obtain possession of the register books, rentals, etc. (*Add. MSS.* 15670, p. 302; 15671, pp. 61, 85, 86, 103, 121; *Bod. MS.* 324, p. 82.) Meanwhile on 8 July 1646 he had been granted the Audley tithes up to 50*l.* p.a., which had been sequestered from Col. Ralph Egerton of Betley, delinquent, as this living was only worth about 40 marks. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, p. 90; *Bod. MS.* 323, p. 268.) Many different orders were made upon Egerton, and on 1 July 1647 Smith complained that Egerton would not comply with this order. (*Compounding*, p. 1521; *Shaw*, II, p. 486.) Smith signed the testimony in 1648. *See* **Draycott-in-the-Moors.**

[6] **Overton.** Possibly son of a Warwickshire clergyman. If so, M.A. 1625 Trin. Coll. Ox. and rector of Fringford, Ox., in 1635 (*Foster*). Received an augmentation of 20*l.*, as he had to pay 30*l.* to the minister at Talk. (*Lamb. MSS.* 970, p. 46; 994, p. 142; 981, p. 22; cf. *Shaw*, II, p. 486.)

[7] **Kelsall** (John). Paid a subsidy of 2*l.* in Jan. 1661-2 though not instituted until 18 Aug. 1663, when the vicarage was declared vacant by the death of Wm Kelsall, the last incumbent (*Bps. Reg.*). Son of Wm Kelsall, either he or the vicar of Mayfield matriculated at Brasenose in 1650 (*Foster*).

[8] **Harpur.** B.A. 1661 University Coll. Ox., became a rector at Pontesbury, Salop, in 1682 (*Foster*).

[9] **Wylkynson.** Described as priest at Audley in his will. Chaplain at Madeley in 1533.

[10] **Pickstock.** Mentioned as priest in the wills of Thos Sparry (1549) and Wm Bradshaw of Betley, so probably chaplain here.

[11] **Tilston.** Scholaris ruralis et mediocriter doctus. Ordained deacon by Wm Overton and does not appear to have been a priest in 1593.

[12] **Eaton** or Eyton. No preacher, without orders, no degree, salary 8*l.* (1604 *return*) or 7*l.* (1602 *return*). *See* **Whitmore.**

[13] **Barber.** Mentioned in register.

[14] **Hulme.** On 12 Dec. 1646 Egerton was ordered to settle 20*l.* p.a. on the church here. (*Shaw*, II, p. 486.) About 1649 about 70 of the parishioners here beg for their minister, "who for these 20 (?30) years has been a painful preacher amongst them," the impropriation of the parish which would amount to 30*l.* p.a. excepting the tithes of the compounder Col. Egerton. (*Compounding*, p. 3283.) His present income was no more than 14*l.* p.a. (*Roy. Comp.*, I ser., vol. VII, p. 705.)

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[8] **Overton.** Possibly son of a Warwickshire clergyman. If so, M.A. 1625 Trin. Coll. Ox. and rector of Fringford, Oxon. in 1635 (Foster). Received an augmentation of 20*l.*, as he had to pay 30*l.* to the minister at Tatle. (Lamb. MSS. 970, p. 46; 990, p. 142; 981, p. 22; cf. Shaw, ii, p. 486.)

[7] **Kelsall** (John). Had a subsidy of 2*l.* in Jan. 1661–2 though not instituted until 18 Aug. 1663, when the vicarage was declared vacant by the death of Wm Kelsall, the last incumbent (Ayes. Reg.). Son of Wm Kelsall, either he or the vicar of Mayfield matriculated at Brasenose in 1650 (Foster).

[8] **Harpur.** B.A. 1667 University Coll. Ox., became a rector at Pontesbury, Salop, in 1682 (Foster).

[9] **Wylkynson.** Described as priest at Audley in his will. Chaplain at Madeley in 1533.

[10] **Pickstock.** Mentioned as priest in the wills of Thos Sparry (1540) and Wm Bradshaw of Betley, so probably chaplain here.

[11] **Tilston.** Scholaris trivalis at medioctier doctus. Ordained deacon by Wm Overton and does not appear to have been a priest in 1595.

[12] **Eaton** or **Eyton.** No preacher, without orders, no degree, salary 8*l.* (rod. taxon) or 7*l.* (rod. reform). See Whitlanore.

[13] **Burber.** Mentioned in register.

[14] **Hulme.** On 12 Dec. 1640 Egerton was ordered to settle 20*l.* p.a. on the church here. (Shaw, ii, p. 486.) About 1650 about 70 of the parishioners here beg for their minister, "who for three or four years has been a painful preacher amongst them," the proportion of the parish which would amount to 30*l.* p.a. excepting the tithes of the compounder Col. Egerton. (Compounding, p. 2284.) His present income was no more than 14*l.* p.a. (Rep. Comm., 1 sec., vol. vi, p. 705.)

[15] **Cataline.** Called "rector" in register, probably became curate of Horton. Apparently there was no incumbent here in 1659 as an augmentation of 20*l.* payable to the minister here has no name opposite to it. (*Lamb. MS.* 994, p. 142.)

[16] **Smith.** Mentioned as priest in the wills of Thos Sparry, pr. 1549, and Wm Bradshaw, pr. 1550.

[17] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[18] **Beech.** No preacher, a lay reader, no degree, salary 4*s.* 0*d.* (*sic*) (1604 *return*). Possibly curate at Bramshall in 1658.

[19] On 5 Sep. 1649 the committee for plundered ministers report that no minister has yet been settled here, but grant an augmentation of 30*l.* p.a. from the rectory of Talk, sequestered from Ralph Egerton, to a minister when appointed. (*Bod. MS.* 326, p. 293.)

[20] **Smith.** Mentioned as the last curate in 1651-2 return.

[21] **Murhall.** Probably identical with a Camb. graduate who occurs as Murkatt, Murall and Murhalt. If so, M.A. 1652 Pemb. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Approved of by the commissioners 4 July 1655, received payment of aforenamed augmentation till c. 1659. (*Lamb. MSS.* 968, p. 11; 970, pp. 46, 55; 981, p. 22; 994, p. 142.) Probably became curate of Barlaston in 1663.

[22] **Pool.** Perhaps B.A. 1657-8 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[23] **Reeve.** *See* **Caverswall.**

BARLASTON

In 1563 a church, with cure but without institution, in Newcastle D., formerly approp. to Trentham Priory.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 small candlesticks; 2 corporals with cloths for one altar; 1 tin pyx; 2 maslyn crosses; 1 pair of maslyn censers; 3 bells (*s*); 1 hand bell; 2 vestments; 2 copes; 2 vestments for deacon & subdeacon. **Ch. wds.:** John Colcloughe & James Webb.

CURATES

occ. 1548	w.p. 14 Mar. 1568-9	Ralph Thorley [1]
occ. 1588-1621		James Bayley [2]
occ. 1630		Thos Lister [3]
occ. 1632?-53		Hen Taylor [4]
19 Sep. 1656	ejected 1662	Samuel Hall B.A. [5]
Feb. 1661-2	occ. 1678	Ralph Murhall M.A.? [6]
occ. 1680		Thos Mathews

[1] Catellus, Called "rector" in registers, probably became curate of Ilkeston. Apparently there was no incumbent here in 1659 as an augmentation of 50l. payable to the minister here has no name opposite to it. (Zawa. MS. 99b, p. 142.)

[2] Smith, Mentioned as priest in the wills of Thos Sparry, pr. 1555 and Wm Bradshaw, pr. 1559.

[3] Cura[illegible]. Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[4] Beech. No preacher, a lay reader, no degree, salary 4s. 0d. (xii) (1601 return). Possibly curate at Hunsdall in 1658.

[5] On 5 Sep. 1659 the committee for plundered ministers report that no minister has yet been settled here, but grant an augmentation of 30l. p. a. from the rectory of Tadlin, sequestered from Ralph Egerton, to a minister when appointed. (Zawa. MS. 356, p. 20.)

[6] Smith. Mentioned as the last curate in 1652-3 return.

[7] Marshall. Probably identical with a Camb. graduate who occurs as Mulcaster, Murall and Mudale. Ecad. M.A. 1655 Camb. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Approved of by the commissioners 4 July 1655, receiving payment of aforementioned augmentation till c. 1660. (Zawa. MS. 99b, p. 17; 97a, pp. 46, 55; 99b, p. 82; 99b, p. 142.) Probably became curate of Barlaston in 1664.

[8] Pool. Perhaps B.A. 1657-8 Jesus Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[9] Reeve. See Caverswall.

HARLASTON

In 1563 a church, with cure but without institution, in Newcastle D., formerly appropr. to Trentham Priory.

Ch. Ded., 5 May 1533: 1 silver chalice with patten; 2 small candlesticks; 2 corporals with cloths for one altar; 1 tin pyx; 2 masyn crosses; 1 pair of masyn censers; 3 bells (4); 1 hand bell; 2 vestments; 2 copes; 2 vestments for deacon & subdeacon. Ch. wdn.: John Coldoughe & James Webb.

CURATES

occ. 1548 w.p. 14 Mar. 1568-9	Ralph Thorley[1]
occ. 1588-1621	James Hayley[2]
occ. 1630	Thos Lister[3]
occ. 1632-53	Hen Taylor[4]
19 Sep. 1660 elected 1662	Samuel Hall B.A.[5]
Feb. 1667-8 occ. 1678	Ralph Marshall M.A.[7]
occ. 1680	Thos Matthews

NOTES

[1] **Thorley.** Did not subscribe in 1559, will dated 28 Jan. 1568-9.

[2] **Bayley,** Bealie. Scholaris ruralis et mediocriter eruditus. No preacher, no degree, salary 7*l.* (1602 *return*), 6*l.* (1604 *return*). Ordained by Wm, bp of Chester, occurs in 1588 as exor. of John Ridgware.

[3] **Lister,** Listey? Perhaps matric. 1618 Queens' Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), mentioned in parish register.

[4] **Taylor.** On 12 Aug. 1646 Sir Rich Leveson of Trentham, delinquent, was ordered to settle 35*l.* p.a. out of this impropriate rectory upon Taylor in addition to the 10*l.* p.a. he had formerly given to him, as his stipend was only 10*l.* p.a. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 269.) On 17 Sep. and 1 Oct. 1646 Leveson was ordered to settle 50*l.* p.a. upon him. (*Shaw*, II, p. 481; *Roy. Comp.*, ser. 1, vol. CXIII, p. 291; cf. *King's Pamph.*, vol. CCCLXXXVIII, No. 30.) On 25 May 1653 Taylor begs for possession of the glebe lands, etc., in addition to the tithes of the rectory which had been settled on the minister in part payment of Leveson's fine. (*Compounding*, p. 990.)

[5] **Hall.** B.A. 1655-6 Jes. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), son of Ralph Hall of Maer. Nominated by the trustees 19 Sep. 1656, subject to approval by the commissioners, received aforenamed augmentation of 50*l.* from this rectory till his ejectment, paid subsidy of 3*s.* in Jan. 1661-2. (*Calamy*; *Lamb. MSS.* 970, p. 180; 974, p. 205; 981, p. 22; 993, p. 279; 994, p. 142.)

[6] **Murhall,** Morrall. *See* **Talk chapel.**

BEDNALL

In 1563 a church approp. to the preb. of Whittington and Baswich and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Described in 1549 and 1553 as an (independent) chapel (*e, n*), the tithes and oblations of which have "time out of mind" been received by the priest here as a stipend and are worth 40*s.* p.a. (*n*).

Also described c. 1552 as a chapel in Cannock parish (*h, l, m*); in 1604 as a chapel annexed to Baswich (*return of* 1604); and in 1680 as a chapel in Acton Trussell parish (*Gregory*).

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 green linen cloth vestment with albe and amice; 1 blue linen cloth cope; 1 corporal with case; 2 cruets; 1 copper cross; 2 bells; 2 sacring bells; 1 censer; 1 coffer; 2 altar cloths; 1 towel.

Some of these ornaments were discovered in 1552 (*h, m, n*).

In 1604 there were many recusants in this chapelry.

NOTES

[1] **Thorley.** Did not subscribe in 1559, will dated 25 Jan. 1584-5.

[2] **Bayley,** Basile. Scholaris regalis et medicinae studiosus. No preacher, no degree, salary 7l. (1603 return), 6l. (1604 return). Ordained by Wm. bp of Chester, occurs in 1584 as exor. of John Ridgwaye.

[3] **Lister,** Listey. Perhaps matric. 1582 Queens' Coll. Camb. (Venn), mentioned in parish register.

[4] **Taylor.** On 12 Aug. 1640 Sir Rich Leveson of Trentham, delinquent, was ordered to settle 35l. p.a. out of this impropriate rectory upon Taylor in addition to the 10l. p.a. he had formerly given to him, as his stipend was only 10l. p.a. (Ped. MS. 324, p. 289.) On 17 Sep. and 1 Oct. 1646 Leveson was ordered to settle 50l. p.a. upon him. (Shaw, ii. 3, 4; Ash. Comp. 5 ser. 1, vol. cccii, p. 301; cf. King's Pamph. vol. cccxxxvii, No. 32.) On 25 May 1653 Taylor begs for possession of the glebe lands, etc. in addition to the tithes of the rectory which had been settled on the minister in part payment of Leveson's fine. (Commonwealth, p. 996.)

[5] **Hall,** B.A. 1653-6 Jes. Coll. Camb. (Venn), son of Ralph Hall of Mare. Nominated by the trustees 12 Sep. 1656, subject to approval by the commissioners, received augmentation of 50l. from this rectory till his elevement, paid subsidy of 7s. in Jan. 1661-2. (Calamy; Lawn. MSS. 970, p. 180; 974, p. 205; 981, p. 22; 993, p. 279; 994, p. 112.)

[6] **Marshall,** Morrall. See Tall chapel.

REDNAL.

In 1505 a church approp. to the priory of Whittlington and Baswich and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Described in 1549 and 1553 as an (independent) chapel (a, x), the tithes and oblations of which have "time out of mind" been received by the priest here as a stipend and are worth 40s. p.a. (x).

Also described c. 1552 as a chapel in Cannock parish (h, l, xa); in 1604 as a chapel annexed to Baswich (vicar of 10s.); and in 1680 as a chapel in Acton Trussell parish (Co. copy).

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 green linen cloth vestment with albe and amice; 1 blue linen cloth cope; 1 corporal with case; 2 cruets; 1 copper cross; 2 bells; 2 sacring bells; 1 censer; 1 coller; 2 altar cloths; 1 towel.

Some of these ornaments were discovered in 1552 (h, m, n).

In 1604 there were many recusants in this chapelry.

INCUMBENTS

(occ. 1604		a vicar) [1]
occ. 1651-2		Robt Ashton [2]
10 May 1658		Wm Southall [3]
occ. 1661	ob. 1678	Wm Vincent B.A. [4]

CURATE

occ. 1604	a curate [5]

LIGHTS, ETC.

Certified in 1549 and discovered in 1552-3 that some persons then unknown had given a house and 2 butts of land occupied by John Ashe at a rent of 3*s.* for the repair of the church, lights and other like things; also a rent of 2*d.* [2*s.* (*n*)] from a small croft occupied by Thos Tofte for lights in the "parish church" here (*e, h, l, n*).

NOTES

[1] **Vicar.** No preacher, stipend 20 marks (1604 *return*). Probably this note should refer to the vicar of Baswich.

[2] **Ashton.** *See* **Colwich.**

[3] **Southall.** Nominated to this curacy by the Protector. (*Lamb. MS.* 999, p. 21.) *See* **Berkswich.**

[4] **Vincent.** *See* **Acton Trussell.**

[5] **Curate.** No preacher, salary 5*l.* (1604 *return*)

BERKSWICH OR BASWICH

In 1563 a church approp. to the preb. of Whittington and Berkswich and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction. Although the rectorial or great tithes were so appropriate, the bishop had successfully claimed the right of presentation to the living in the reign of Edward III [1] and probably had passed on this right to the priory of S. Thomas the Martyr by Stafford, which was in receipt of tithes and Easter dues therefrom and also owned glebe lands there in 1535. [2] Probably these were vicarial.

Ch. Orn., 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 bells; 1 little bell; 2 candlesticks; 1 latten cross; 1 silk banner cloth for the same; 2 vestments of green and red camlet; 3 painted linen banner cloths; 1 red silk cope; 1 brass bucket; 2 altar cloths.

The following had been stolen: 1 surplice; 4 towels; 1 old coverlet; 1 latten censer.

Patron: 1554 Wm Lord Paget. (*S. H. C.*, XII, p. 194.)

VICARS

	occ. 1533	Ralph Cooke
	occ. 1604	a vicar [3]
Ap. 1606	w.p. 22 May 1647	John Newton B.A.? [4]
	occ. 1649-50	Clifton Stone M.A.? [5]
c. 1650	occ. 1658	Thos Addenbrook [6]
4 Mar. 1658-9	occ. Nov. 1659	Wm Southall [7]
		? John Powell [8]
29 May 1663	bur. 24 Ap. 1693	Thos Tooth [9]

CURATE

	w.p. 18 Dec. 1644	Edw Harding [10]

BROCKTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563. Certified in 1549 to be a chapel, wherein service hath been sometime kept and sometime not, as the devotion of the inhabitants there served them. Then endowed with a croft or garden in Brockton, given by Thos Warde and a messuage, together worth 11*s.* p.a. There was also the chapel yard worth 4*d.* p.a., 1 bell and ornaments worth 16*d.* (*e*).

NOTES

[1] *Introduction to printed parish register.*

[2] *Hibbert*, pp. 68, 232; cf. *S. H. C.*, XII, p. 194.

[3] **Vicar.** No preacher, a "mass priest" (1604 *return*). This description indicates that he had been ordained before Elizabeth came to the throne. (*See Blymhill notes.*) Vicarage worth 20 marks in 1604.

[4] **Newton.** Probably B.A. 1581 S. Mary's Hall, Ox., born in Shropshire (*Foster*). On 12 Aug. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers found that the maintenance of the minister here was but 10*l.* p.a. and ordered that it should be augmented by 20*l.* p.a. out of this impropriate rectory (*sic*), sequestered from Walter Fowler, recusant, also by 18*l.* p.a. from some tithes here that were claimed by Lord Paget. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 269.) *See note* 6.

[5] **Stone.** Probably M.A. 1653 New Hall Inn, Ox., vicar of Stanton Harcourt 1661, of North Leigh, Oxon, 1663 and of Marston S. Laurence, Northants, 1667 (*Foster*). On 13 Aug. 1649 the Stafford-

The following had been stolen: 1 surplice; 4 towels; 1 old coverlet; 1 latten censer.

Patron: 1554 Wm Lord Paget (S. W. C., xii, p. 194.)

VICARS

	occ. 1533	Ralph Cooke
	occ. 1604	a vicar[a]
Ap. 1606	w.p. 22 May 1647	John Newton B.A.?[a]
	occ. 1649–50	Clifton Stone M.A.?[a]
c. 1650	occ. 1658	Thos Adlenbrook[a]
4 Mar. 1658–9	occ. Nov. 1659	Wm Southall[a]
		?John Powell[a]
29 May 1663	bur. 24 Ap. 1693	Thos Tooth[a]

CURATE

	w.p. 18 Dec. 1644	Edw Harding[a]

BROCKTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1593. Certified in 1549 to be a chapel, wherein service hath been sometime kept and sometime not, as the devotion of the inhabitants there served thereto. Then endowed with a croft or garden in Brockton, given by Thos Warde and a messuage, together worth 11s. p.a. There was also the chapel yard worth 4d. p.a., 1 bell and ornaments worth 16d. (e).

NOTES

[a] Intervention to prevent parish registers.

[b] Hibbert, pp. 65, 232; cf. S. W. C., xii, p. 194.

[c] Vicar. No preacher, a "mass priest" (proscription). This description indicates that he had been ordained before Elizabeth came to the throne. (See Hyde Hall notes.) Vicarage worth 20 marks in 1604.

[d] Newton. Probably B.A. 1581 S. Mary's Hall, Ox., born in Shropshire (Foster). On 12 Aug. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers found that the maintenance of the minister here was but 20l. p.a. and ordered that it should be augmented by 20l. p.a. out of this impropriate rectory (sic), sequestered from Walter Fowler, recusant, also by 18l. p.a. from some tithes here that were claimed by Lord Paget. (Bod. MS. 323, p. 260, Sir Walter.)

[e] Stone. Probably M.A. 1653 New Hall Inn, Ox., vicar of Stanton Harcourt 1661, of North Leigh, Oxon, 1663 and of Marston S. Lawrence, Northants, 1667 (Foster). On 12 Aug. 1649 the Stanton-

shire parliamentary committee reported that Stone was attempting to get the impropriate rectory (*sic*) and tithes here, although Fowler's sequestration had been discharged and he was willing to continue the 20*l.* augmentation. (*Compounding*, p. 1894.) On 19 Sep. 1649 the committee for plundered ministers ordered the aforenamed sums of 20*l.* and 18*l.* to be paid to Stone. (*Bod. MS.* 326, p. 294.) Payment of the 18*l.* is recorded up to 25 Mar. 1650. (*Shaw*, II, p. 543; *Lamb. MS.* 979, p. 353; cf. *Bod. MS.* 327, p. 478.)

[6] **Addenbrook.** Settled here 3 Jan. 1650-1 (*Bod. MS.* 328, p. 393), granted by the trustees the aforenamed augmentation of 18*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in accordance with an order made by the committee for the reformation of the universities dated 22 Jan. 1650-1 (*Sion MS.*, p. 491; *Lamb. MS.* 1004, p. 129), regularly received payment of same until his departure c. 1658 (*Lamb. MSS.* 1004, p. 129; 973, p. 680; 976, p. 329; 978, pp. 617, 623; 981, p. 20; cf. 994, p. 142), granted by the committee for plundered ministers on 21 Mar. 1650-1 an augmentation of 20*l.* a year with arrears due by any former order out of the impropriate vicarage and glebe (not rectory) of Berkswich, sequestered from Walter Fowler, recusant. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. i, p. 285.) The amount of this augmentation is stated at 21*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* circa 1659. (*Lamb. MS.* 994, p. 142.)

[7] **Southall.** Formerly curate at Bednall, admitted to this vicarage by the commissioners 4 Mar. 1658-9, received the augmentations aforenamed, which are now given as 18*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* and 21*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* (*Lamb. MSS.* 987, pp. 167, 168; 994, p. 142; 1004, p. 129.) Calamy says that Rich (*sic*) Southall was ejected in 1662 and went to Doddington. *See* **Pattingham.**

[8] **Powell.** Mentioned in the introduction to the printed register, but no date is given.

[9] **Tooth.** Perhaps matriculated 1655 S. Mary's Hall, Ox. (*Foster*).

[10] **Harding.** The will of one Edw Hardinge of Berkswich, clerk, was pr. 18 Dec. 1644 (21, *Rivers*) by Edw Harding the elder. He married Ellen Talbott in 1638 and had his children baptized here up to Nov. 1644 (*Par. Reg.*).

BIDDULPH

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D., formerly approp. to Hulton Abbey.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 bell (*s*); 1 sacring bell; 2 vestments; 1 albe; 2 corporals; 1 cope; 1 surplice; 2 iron candlesticks. **Ch. wds.:** Rauff Thorley & John Wynkle.

In 1604 there were divers recusants here.

The names of many earlier and later incumbents are given in *S. H. C.*, XII, n.s., p. 11.

Patrons: 1577 Ralph Thorley from Andrew Bowyer, 1604 John Bowyer, 1619 Sir Wm Bowyer kt.

VICARS

occ. 1533	res. 1577	Nich Whitlock [1]
31 Aug. 1577	bur. 11 July 1597	John Thorley [2]
1 Aug. 1597	ob. 1619	Rich Badeley [3]
29 Sep. 1619	res. 1622	Anthony Rowley M.A. [4]
21 Oct. 1622	occ. 1651-2	John Bowyer M.A. [5]
	ejected 1662	a puritan [6]
14 Jan. 1662-3	res. 1665	Wm Armett M.A. [7]
12 July 1665		Maurice Harrison M.A.
	w.p. 26 Sep. 1689	John Barber

NOTES

[1] **Whitlock,** Wyllocke, Whelock. *See S. H. C.*, 1912, pp. 75, 121.

[2] **Thorley.** Scholaris ruralis et utcunque litteratus, ordained by Wm, bp of Chester, also rector of Brereton, Ches.

[3] **Badeley.** No preacher, no degree, ignorant, very worldly, salary 10*l.*, the rectory being impropriate to John Bowyer, esq. (1602-4 *returns*).

[4] **Rowley.** M.A. 1618 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[5] **Bowyer.** M.A. 1624 Exeter Coll. Ox. (*Foster*), signed testimony 1648, granted on 28 May 1647 by the committee for plundered ministers an augmentation of 50*l.* p.a. from the sequestered rectory of Eccleshall, q.v., no record of its payment known. (*Bod. MS.* 325, p. 219.) Invalidly presented with Stoke rectory, p. 254.

[6] *Puritan.* The episcopal register states that the living was vacant in Jan. 1662-3 by reason of the non-subscription of the last incumbent—perhaps Bowyer.

[7] **Armett.** Probably had been minister at Alton in 1651-2. Foster identifies this vicar with a son of Geo Armell (*sic*) of Thornelee, co. Staff. If so, B.A. 1633 Magd. Hall, Ox.

BLITHFIELD

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 great

In 1604 there were divers recusants here.

The names of many earlier and later incumbents are given in S. H. C., xii, n.s., p. 11.

Patrons: 1577 Ralph Thorley (from Andrew Bowyer, 1604 John Bowyer, 1619 Sir Wm Bowyer kt.

VICARS

occ. 1533	res. 1577	Nich Whittock[1]
31 Aug. 1577	bur. 11 July 1597	John Thorley[2]
1 Aug. 1597	ob. 1619	Rich Bayley[3]
29 Sep. 1619	res. 1622	Anthony Rowley M.A.[4]
21 Oct. 1622	occ. 1631-2	John Bowyer M.A.[5]
	ejected 1662	a puritan[6]
14 Jan. 1662-3	res. 1665	Wm Arnett M.A.[7]
12 July 1665		Maurice Harrison M.A.
	w.p. 26 Sep. 1689	John Barber

NOTES

[1] Whittock, Wyllocke, Wallock. See S. H. C., 1911, pp. 75, 121.

[2] Thorley, Scholaris mralis et utcunque litteratus, ordained by Wm, bp of Chester, also rector of Horton, Ches.

[3] Bayley. No preacher, no degree, ignorant, very worldly, salary 10l., the rectory being impropriate to John Bowyer, esq. (1609-4 returns).

[4] Rowley, M.A. 1618 St John's Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[5] Bowyer, M.A. 1624 Exeter Coll. Ox. (Foster), signed testimony 1646, granted on 28 May 1647 by the committee for plundered ministers an augmentation of 50l. p.a. from the sequestered rectory of Ecclesfield, q.v., no record of its payment known (Ord. Mis. 325, p. 219). Invalidly presented with Stoke rectory, p. 254.

[6] Puritan. The episcopal register states that the living was vacant in Jan. 1662-3 by reason of the non-subscription of the last incumbent—perhaps Bowyer.

[7] Arnett. Probably had been minister at Alton in 1651-2. Foster identifies this vicar with a son of Geo Arnell (sic) of Thorneles, co. Staff. Hos. B.A. 1633 Magd. Hall, Ox.

PLUMPTON

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with patten; 3 great

bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 2 hand bells; 1 cope; 1 suite of vestments; 2 towels; 1 surplice; 1 corporal; 2 table cloths; 2 cruets. **Ch. wds.:** Andrewe Walkar & Thos Walkar.

Patrons: 1533 Sir Lewis Bagot kt, 1573 Rich Bagot.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	w.p. 16 Feb. 1549-50	Francis Kynnersley [1]
12 May 1550 ff.	bur. 13 July 1550	Geo Josselyn [2]
18 Sep. 1550	w.p. 17 Feb. 1572-3	Wm Norman [3]
24 July 1573	res. c. 1610	Rich Cook [4]
15 Jan. 1610-1	occ. 1640	John Beardmore [5]
(occ. 1651-2	res. c. 1658	John Middleton M.A.)? [6]
4 Aug. 1658	ob. Ap. 1676	Rich Harrison M.A. [7]
22 May 1676 ff.	ob. May 1713	Geo Roades M.A. [8]

CURATES

bur. 7 June 1589	Rich Burne
occ. 1593	Wm Talbot [9]
occ. 1595-9	Roger Bolton [10]
occ. 1604	Hen *illegible* [11]
c. Mar. 1604-5-11	John Beardmore [5]
occ. c. 1635-May 1645	Thos Pickin M.A. [12]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Discovered in 1552 and 1553 that this service had been endowed with 5 kine, which were then in the hands of Humphrey Cotton of Bold (*h, m*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533 Thos Brandesbury

LIGHTS

Discovered in Apr. 1553 that a sum of 21*s*. was in the hands of the said Hum Cotton, which had been left to find tapers in the church (*n*). On 4 May 1553 this sum was handed over to Rich Forsett, surveyor. [13]

NEWTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563. **Ch. Orn.,** 4 May 1553: 1 little bell.

bells (6); 1 sanctus bell; 2 hand bells; 1 cope; 1 suite of vestments; 2 towels; 1 surplice; 1 corporal; 2 table cloths; 2 cructs. Ch. wks.: Andrewe Walker & Thos Walker.

Patrons: 1533 Sir Lewis Bagot kt, 1573 Rich Bagot.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	w.p. 16 Feb 1540-50	Francis Kynnesley[1]
12 May 1550 d	bar. 13 July 1550	Geo Josselyn[2]
18 Sep 1550	w.p. 27 Feb. 1572-3	Wm Norman[3]
24 July 1573	res. c. 1610	Rich Cook[4]
15 Jan. 1610-1	occ. 1640	John Beardmore[5]
(occ. 1671-2	res. c. 1688	John Middleton M.A.)[6]
4 Aug. 1688	ob. Ap. 1670	Rich Harrison M.A.[7]
22 May 1670 d	ob. May 1713	Geo Roades M.A.[8]

CURATES

	bur. 7 June 1586	Rich Burne
occ. 1593		Wm Talbot[9]
occ. 1595-9		Roger Bolton[10]
occ. 1604		Hen Wingfield[11]
c. Mar. 1604-5-11		John Beardmore[12]
occ. c. 1635-May 1643		Thos Pickin M.A.[13]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Discovered in 1532 and 1553 that this service had been endowed with 5 kine, which were then in the hands of Humphrey Cotton of Bold (*h*, *m*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533 Thos Bramlesbury[14]

LIGHTS

Discovered in Apr. 1553 that a sum of 21s. was in the hands of the said Hum Cotton, which had been lot to find tapers in the church (*m*). On 4 May 1553 this sum was handed over to Rich Forsett, surveyor.[15]

NEWTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563. Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 little bell.

NOTES

[1] **Kynnersley.** *See* **Leigh.**

[2] **Josselyn,** Gestelyn, Jones? Instituted 9 June 1550.

[3] **Norman.** Formerly chaplain at Leigh c. 1543-7, subscribed 1559.

[4] **Cook.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris instructus. Unlearned, pluralist, non-resident (1604 *return*). Ordained by Ralph Baine, also vicar of Dilhorne 1575-1617, where buried, will pr. 4 June 1617. Curate at Stone 1569-73. Rectory worth 30*l.* in 1604.

[5] **Beardmore.** Perhaps curate of Whitmore chapel c. 1595 and of Swynnerton, q.v., 1599-1604.

[6] **Middleton.** Perhaps M.A. 1640 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Mentioned as the minister here in the 1651-2 return and as curate on 13 Dec. 1658, when he gave up " possession of the parsonage house " to Harrison. Possibly therefore curate, not rector.

[7] **Harrison.** Presented in 1658 by Edw Bagot. (*Lamb. MS.* 999, p. 78.) *See* **S. Mary's, Lichfield.**

[8] **Roades,** Rhodes. M.A. 1648-9 Clare Hall, Camb. (*Venn*), incorporated at Ox. 1674 (*Foster*). Became rector of Checkley 1703.

[9] **Talbot.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris incumbens. Ordained by Wm Overton in 1584.

[10] **Bolton.** Curate at Stoke-on-Trent, q.v., c. 1586-93, became curate of Gnosall c. 1610-13.

[11] *Illegible* (Hen). No preacher, salary 8*l.* (1604 *return*).

[12] **Pickin.** *See* **Swynnerton.**

[13] *Inventory* of 1553.

BLORE RAY

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 great bells (*s*); 2 hand bells; 1 sacring bell; 2 silk vestments with amices; 1 white satin cope; 1 altar cloth; 2 corporals with cases; 1 towel; 2 brass candlesticks. **Ch. wds.:** Christopher Hawse & Thos. Yatte.

Patrons: 1578 . . . from Wm Bassett ar., 1604 his heirs, 1619 Sir Wm Cavendish and Elizabeth (*née* Bassett) his wife afterwards Viscount Mansfield and Earl of Newcastle, 1658 Chas Viscount Mansfield.

RECTORS

	ob. 1517	Edward Meyrell
18 May 1517		Edmund Eyre [1]
occ. 1533	w.p. 12 Mar. 1577-8	John Warde [2]

NOTES

[1] **Kynnersley.** See Leigh.

[2] **Josselyn.** Gestelyn. Jonas? Instituted 9 June 1550.

[3] **Norman.** Formerly chaplain at Leigh c. 1543-7, subscribed 1559.

[4] **Cook.** Scholaris rurialis et in sacris litteris instructus. Unlearned, pluralist, non-resident (1604 return). Ordained by Rutgh. Bains, also vicar of Dilhorne 1573-1617, where buried, will pr. 4 June 1617. Curate at Stone 1569-73. Rectory worth £61 in 1604.

[5] **Bearkmore.** Perhaps curate of Whitmore chapel c. 1595 and of Swynnerton, q.v., 1599-1604.

[6] **Middleton.** Perhaps M.A. 1640 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn). Mentioned as the minister here in the 1651-2 return and as curate on 13 Dec. 1658, when he gave up "possession of the parsonage house" to Harrison. Possibly therefore curate, not rector.

[7] **Harrison.** Presented in 1658 by Edw Hagot (Cons. RS. 499, p. 78.) See S. Mary's, Lichfield.

[8] **Roades.** Rhodes. M.A. 1648-9 Glare Hall, Camb. (Venn), incorporated at Ox. 1674 (Foster). Became rector of Checkley 1703.

[9] **Talbot.** Scholaris rurialis et in sacris litteris instructus. Ordained by Wm Overton in 1584.

[10] **Rollen.** Curate at Stoke-on-Trent, q.v., c. 1580-93, became curate of Gnosall c. 1610-12.

[11] **Illegible** (Hen). No preacher, salary £6. (1604 return).

[12] **Pilkin.** See Swynnerton.

[13] Inventory of 1533.

BLORE RAY

In 1503 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D.

Ch. Dn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 great bells (s); 2 hand bells; 1 sacring bell; 2 silk vestments with amices; 1 white satin cope; 1 altar cloth; 2 corporals with cases; 1 towel; 2 brass candlesticks. **Ch. wds.:** Christopher Hawse & Thos. Yatt.

Patrons: 1578 . . . from Wm Bassett ar., 1664 his heirs, 1679 Sir Wm Cavendish and Elizabeth (née Bassett) his wife attorwards Viscount Mansfield and Earl of Newcastle, 1695 Chas Viscount Mansfield.

RECTORS

ob. 1517

18 May 1517 — Edward Meyrell

Edmund Eyre[1]

occ. 1533 — w.p. 12 Mar. 1577-8 John Warde[2]

23 Mar. 1577-8	w.p. 23 Mar. 1618-9	Robt Eld [3]
25 June 1619	w.p. 14 Feb. 1650-1	Henry Stubbs M.A. [4]
occ. 1651-7		Josiah Stubbs M.A.? [5]
3 Feb. 1657-8	occ. 1666	Wm Yates [6]

CURATES OR CHAPLAINS

occ. 1533	Geo Bristowe [7]
occ. 1533	Robt Pryce [8]

OBIT AND LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that a rent of 6*d.* from a messuage and land in Calton, late in the tenure of Hen Turner deceased, had been left to maintain an obit and lights in this church (*e*). Discovered in 1553 that this rent was 6*s.* 7*d.* and that this messuage was then occupied by John Turner (*n*).

NOTES

[1] **Eyre** or Heyr. Probably resigned on being appointed rector of Grindon.

[2] **Warde.** Paid tax of 16*s.* in 1533. Subscribed in 1559. Had a contemporary of the same name who was rector of Gratwich, and one of them may have taken his M.A. at Oxford in 1528 (*Foster*).

[3] **Eld** or Healde. Scholaris ruralis et mediocriter doctus. No preacher, ignorant, no degree, stipend 8*l.*, as most of the tithes were in the hands of the patrons, who were the heirs of Bassett (1602-4 *returns*). Ordained by Thos Bentham.

[4] **Stubbs** (Hen). M.A. 1616 Broadgates Hall, Ox., a commoner from co. Stafford (*Foster*), signed testimony 1648, w.p. 14 Feb. 1650-1 (38, *Grey*). On 5 Aug. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted him an augmentation of 14*l.* p.a. from the impropriate rectory of Blore, sequestered from the Earl of Newcastle, delinquent, also 13*l.* p.a. payable by Mr Langley out of the tithes of Ellastone rectory, sequestered from Sir Rich Fleetwood. On 6 July 1649 the said committee made an order for him to have all the arrears then due. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, p. 136; *Bod. MSS.* 323, p. 268; 326, p. 291; cf. 328, p. 440.)

[5] **Stubbs** (Josiah). Probably B.A. 1650-1, M.A. 1654 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Granted the aforenamed augmentation 21 Ap. 1652 (*Bod. MS.* 328, p. 440), became rector of Kingsley, q.v., in 1658.

[6] **Yates.** Matric. 1650 S. Mary's Hall, Ox. (*Foster*), ordained both deacon and priest on 1 Jan. 1661-2 by Hackett, admitted to this rectory twice, first by the commissioners on the nomination of Chas

23 Mar. 1577-8	w.p. 23 Mar. 1618-9	Robt Eld[a]
25 June 1619	w.p. 14 Feb. 1650-1	Henry Stubbs M.A.[a]
	occ. 1651-7	Josiah Stubbs M.A.?[a]
3 Feb. 1657-8	occ. 1666	Wm Yates[a]

CURATES OR CHAPLAINS

occ. 1533	Geo Bristowe[1]
occ. 1534	Robt Fryce[a]

GHTS AND LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that a rent of 6d. from a messuage and land in Caldon, late in the tenure of Hen Turner deceased, had been left to maintain an obit and lights in this church (a). Discovered in 1553 that this rent was 6s. 7d. and that this messuage was then occupied by John Turner (a).

NOTES

[1] Eyre or Heyr. Probably resigned on being appointed rector of Grindon.

[a] Wardle. Paid tax of 16s. in 1533. Subscribed in 1559. Had a contemporary of the same name who was rector of Cratwich, and one of them may have taken his M.A. at Oxford in 1558 (Foster).

[a] Eld or Healde. Scholaris rusticus et medicinifer doctus. No preacher, ignorant, no degree, stipend 8l., as most of the tithes were in the hands of the patrons, who were the heirs of Bassett (1602-4 returns). Ordained by Thos Bentham.

[a] Stubbs (Hen). M.A. 1616 Brasenose Hall, Ox., a commoner from co. Stafford (Foster), signed testimony 1646, w.p. 14 Feb. 1650-1 (38, Grey). On 5 Aug. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted him an augmentation of 14l. p.a. from the impropriate rectory of Blore, sequestered from the Earl of Newcastle, delinquent, also 12l. p.a. payable by Mr Langley out of the tithes of Ellastone rectory, sequestered from Sir Rich Fleetwood. On 6 July 1649 the said committee made an order for him to have all the arrears then due (S. P. Dom. Ivam. E. 1. p. 139, Rod. MSS. 323, p. 268; 325, p. 202; cf. 328, p. 440).

[a] Stubbs (Josiah). Probably B.A. 1650-1, M.A. 1654 Trin. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Granted the aforenamed augmentation as Ap. 1652 (Rod. MS. 328, p. 440), became rector of Kingsley, q.v., in 1653.

[a] Yates. Matric. 1650 S. Mary's Hall, Ox. (Foster), ordained both deacon and priest on 1 Jan. 1661-2 by Hacket, admitted to this rectory twice, first by the commissioners on the nomination of Chas

visc. Mansfield on 3 Feb. 1657-8, a second time by the Bp on 15 Feb. 1661-2, also paid the first fruits twice and a subsidy of 10*s.* in Jan. 1661-2.

[7] **Bristowe.** As priest here paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

[8] **Pryce.** As priest here paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

BLYMHILL

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments, 1 of silk, 1 of dornick, 1 of cloth; 4 albes; 4 amices; 4 stoles; 4 maniples; 2 altar cloths; 2 towels; 1 corporal in a case; 2 brass candlesticks; 2 pewter cruets; 1 cross of gilt wood; 3 banner cloths; 1 cross cloth; 2 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 1 sacring bell.

An almost complete list of the rectors and patrons is printed in *S. H. C.*, II, pt. ii, p. 136 *et seq.*

RECTORS

28 May 1499	w.p. 26 Sep. 1538	Wm Swynnerton [1]
30 Aug. 1538	ob. 1543	John Pova
9 Ap. 1544	ob. 1549	John ap-Harry LL.D. [2]
1549	w.p. 7 Aug. 1552	Ralph Cockys B.C.L. [3]
6 Sep. 1552 ff.	ob. 1555	Thos Burne [4]
31 May 1555	bur. 13 May 1606	Ralph Masfen [5]
10 May 1606	ob. 1 Oct. 1649	Thos James M.A. [6]
1649	ob. c. Sep. 1668	John Nickins B.A. [7]
12 Nov. 1668	bur. 26 Aug. 1706	Thos Walter B.A. [8]

CURATE

occ. 1583-1607	Francis Harley [9]

THE PRIEST'S SERVICE

Discovered in 1552 that this service had been endowed with 3 (*h*) or 4 (*m*) kine, then in the hands of Humphrey James (*h, m*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	John Myllys
?occ. 1538	John Collyns? [10]

vise. Mansfield on 3 Feb. 1697-8, a second time by the Bp on 15 Feb. 1661-2, also paid the first fruits twice and a subsidy of 10s. in Jan. 1661-2.

[7] **Bristowe.** As priest here paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1533.

[8] **Fryer.** As priest here paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1533.

BIRYMHILL

In 1589 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments, 1 of silk, 1 of dornick, 1 of cloth; 4 albes; 4 amices; 4 stoles; 4 maniples; 2 altar cloths; 2 towels; 1 corporal in a case; 2 brass candlesticks; 2 pewter cruets; 1 cross of gilt wood; 3 banner cloths; 1 cross cloth; 2 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 1 sacring bell.

An almost complete list of the rectors and patrons is printed in S. R. C., II, pt. ii, p. 130 *et seq.*

RECTORS

28 May 1499	w.p. 20 Sep. 1538	Wm Swynnerton[1]	
30 Aug. 1538	ob. 1543	John Pove	
9 Ap. 1544	ob. 1549	John ap-Harry LL.D.[2]	
1549	w.p. 7 Aug. 1552	Ralph Cockys B.C.L.[3]	
6 Sep. 1552 n.	ob. 1555	Thos Burne[4]	
31 May 1555	bur. 13 May 1606	Ralph Haslen[5]	
10 May 1606	ob. 1 Oct. 1649	Thos James M.A.[6]	
1649	ob. c. Sep. 1668	John Hickins B.A.[7]	
12 Nov. 1668	bur. 26 Aug. 1706	Thos Walter B.A.[8]	

CURATE

occ. 1583-1607	Francis Harley[9]

THE PRIESTS' SERVICE

Discovered in 1552 that this service had been endowed with 3 (*h*) or 4 (*m*) lains, then in the hands of Humphrey James (*h*, *m*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	John Mylly[s]
? occ. 1558	John Collyns[?][10]

OBIT

Discovered in 1552-3 that Joan Turnor, deceased, had given 3 arable acres in Brineton worth 18*d.* p.a. for an obit (*h, l, n*).

NOTES

[1] **Swynnerton.** Will printed in *S. H. C.*, VII, pt. ii, p. 83.

[2] **Ap-Harry.** M.A. University of Caen, Normandy, LL.D. 1543 Oxford, afterwards appointed principal of Broadgate Hall. (Wood's *Fasti Oxon.* I, pp. 65-8.) Master of the chapel within Stafford castle in 1534, rector of Church Eaton 1537-49, vicar of S. Mary's, Lichfield, 1543-7; preb. of Coton, Stafford, 1544-8; preb. of Denston, Stafford, in 1544, preb. of Pipa parva 1547-9, archd. of Northampton 1548, rector of Castor, Northants, where buried in 1549. (*Foster*, under Parry.)

[3] **Cockys,** Cox. B.C.L. 1552 Oxford (*Foster*), also vicar of Shenston 1545-51, preb. of Pipa parva 1552.

[4] **Burne** or Bourne. Paid the first fruits (12*l.* 3*s.* 5¼*d.* net) for this rectory on 6 Sep. 1552, although not admitted until 19 Nov. 1554, as there was a question as to whether he or Hen Pendylton D.D.—who had been improperly admitted to this rectory on 16 Dec. 1552—should have this benefice. (*Exch. Plea Roll* I, No. 113.) Possibly identical with the curate of Ant Draycott at Checkley who occurs there 1520-35 and is called Wilgos in *S. H. C.*, 1912, p. 14, and in the *Valor*, but Burne in the return of 1533. More probably, however, identical with a chantry priest at Walsall c. 1533-48.

[5] **Masfen,** Macefen. Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris exercitatus. No preacher, a "mass priest," rectory worth 60*l.* (1604 *return*). Ordained by John, bp of Chester—depr. of his bishopric by Qn Mary—instituted to this rectory by Ralph Baine, w.p. 23 May 1606.

[6] **James.** B.A. 1594, M.A. 1598 Ch. Ch. Ox. (*Foster*). Married in 1607 Judith Steventon (ob. 1622) and in 1623 Mary, dau. of Roger Lowe, parson of Water Upton, both times at Eccleshall.

[7] **Nickins.** B.A. 1649 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), ordained both deacon and priest by Hackett on 21 Aug. 1662, believed to have succeeded to this rectory on the death of James c. 1649 (*S. H. C.*, II, pt. ii, p. 141), paid first fruits 6 Jan. 1652 (1652-3?), baptized his children throughout Interregnum, paid subsidy of 1*l.* in Jan. 1661-2.

[8] **Walter.** B.A. 1666 S. Alban Hall, Ox., son of Wm Walter of Lapley (*Foster*), preb. of Dassett parva 1671-97.

[9] **Harley.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris bene instructus. Not mentioned by the puritans (1604 *return*). Ordained priest by Wm Overton 4 Oct. 1584, married 20 May 1598 at Blymhill Alice, dau. of Wm James of Blymhill.

OBIT

Discovered in 1552-4 that Joan Turner, deceased, had given 3 arable acres in Shinelon worth 18d. p.a. for an obit (K, I, a).

NOTES

[1] **Swynnerton.** *Will* printed in S. *A. C.*, vii, pt. ii, p. 83.

[2] **Ap-Harry.** M.A. University of Caen, Normandy, LL.D. 1543 Oxford, afterwards appointed principal of Broadgate Hall. (Wood's Fasti Oxon. i, pp. 95-8.) Master of the chapel within Stafford castle in 1554, rector of Church Eaton 1557-49, vicar of S. Mary's, Lichfield, 1543-7; preb. of Coton, Stafford, 1544-8; preb. of Denston, Stafford, in 1544, preb. of Pipa parva 1547-9, archd. of Northampton 1548, rector of Caston, Northants, where buried in 1549. (Foster, under Harry.)

[3] **Cockys, Cox.** B.C.L. 1552 Oxford (Foster), also vicar of Shenston 1545-51, preb. of Pipa parva 1552.

[4] **Burne or Bourne.** Paid the first fruits (12l. 2s. 5½d. net) for this rectory on 6 Sep. 1552, although not admitted until 19 Nov. 1554, as there was a question as to whether he or Hen Pendylton D.D.—who had been improperly admitted to this rectory on 16 Dec. 1552—should have this benefice. (Rec. Pleas Roll 1, No. 113.) Possibly identical with the curate of Ant Draycott at Checkley who occurs there 1520-35 and is called Willgos in S. *A. C.*, 1912, p. 14, and in the Valor, but Burne in the return of 1533. More probably, however, identical with a chantry priest at Walsall c. 1533-45.

[5] **Masten, Maceler.** Scholaris mualis et in sacris literis exercitatus. No precedency, a "mass priest," rectory worth 60l. (1004 valuation). Ordained by John, by of Chester-deper, of his bishopric by Ca Mary—instituted to this rectory by Ralph Bayne, wp. 23 May 1566.

[6] **James.** B.A. 1590, M.A. 1598 Ch. Ch. Ox. (Foster). Married in 1607 Judith Stevenson (ob. 1622) and in 1623 Mary, dau. of Roger Lowe, parson of Water Upton, bottlemaker at Droitwich.

[7] **Nickins.** B.A. 1619 Trin. Coll. Camb. (Venn), ordained both deacon and priest by Hackett on 21 Aug. 1662, believed to have succeeded to this rectory on the death of James c. 1619 (S. *A. C.*, ii, pt. ii, p. 121), paid first fruits 6 Jan. 1632 (1632-3), baptized his children throughout Interregnum, paid subsidy of 1/. in Jan. 1661-2.

[8] **Walter.** B.A. 1666 S. Alban Hall, Ox., son of Wm Walter of Langley (Foster), preb. of Dassett parva 1671-92.

[9] **Harley.** Scholaris mualis et in sacris literis bene instructus. Not mentioned by the puritans (1604 valuation). Ordained priest by Wm Overton 4 Oct. 1654, married 20 May 1664 at Blymhill Alice, dau. of Wm James of Blymhill.

[10] **Collyns.** Occurs as chaplain at Sheriff Hales in 1533 and as " ghostly father " of Wm Swynnerton in 1538 (*note* 1). This description suggests that he was the stipendiary priest here at that time. Afterwards rector of Weston-under-Lizard.

BOBBINGTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 return or in any of the subsequent returns for the county or archdeaconry of Stafford as it lies partly in Shropshire and was formerly in Hereford diocese. Reported in 1553 to be a chapel in Kinver parish, endowed with a house & garden worth 6*s*. p.a. in the holding of Wm Merche. The chapel was then partly covered with lead and within it there were 3 bells, 1 chalice & 1 suite of ornaments (*h, l, m, n*).

INCUMBENTS

20 Feb. 1561-2	John Launde B.L.
occ. 1666	Jonathan Toye

BRADELEY BY STAFFORD

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D., formerly a rectory.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 2 vestments, 1 of white bustian & 1 of blue silk; 1 blue silk cope; 2 albes; 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 copper censer; 2 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 2 copper candlesticks; 2 tin cruets; 1 sacring bell; 2 altar cloths.

In 1604 there were some recusants here.

Patrons: 1569, 1579, 1583 Rich Dickenson, 1604 Simon Dickenson, 1624 Matthew Craddock

RECTORS

22 Oct. 1528	ob. 1538	Roger Dyngley D.D. [1]
10 Sep. 1538	res. 1545	John Pylkington [2]
26 Dec. 1545	occ. 1549	John Stapulton B.L., M.A. [3]
	w.p. 14 Sep. 1562	Robert Moore [4]

VICARS

	ob. 1569	Robt Sherwin [5]
20 June 1569	res. 1578	Laurance Clowes [6]
31 Jan. 1578-9	res. 1583	Wm Campyon M.A.? [7]
13 Aug. 1583	res. 1595	Thos Neale B.A. [8]
summer 1595	bur. 22 Mar. 1611-2	Robt Parpoynt [9]
25 Aug. 1612		John Wheelock [10]
22 Feb. 1614-5		Thos Johnes [11]
18 Dec. 1617	occ. 1620	Thos Fletcher B.A.? [12]
27 Jan. 1623-4	?res. 1636	Simon Dudson [13]
20 June 1636	seq. c. 1646	Jonathan Yates B.A. [14]
occ. 1651-2	ob. c. 1670	Robt Spencer [15]
c. 1670	occ. 1680	Wm Royston B.A. [16]

CURATE

occ. 1533 — Wm Ridware [17]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Reported in 1549-53 to be endowed with 4 messuages and certain lands called " Our Lady's lands " in the respective holdings of Geo Cox (rent 9*s.*), Rich Parker (rent 7*s.*), Elen Horton, wid. (rent 7*s.*), and Agnes Oley or Oteley (rent 8*s.*), which rents had always been at the order and disposition of the parishioners, who until c. 1546 were accustomed to employ them to maintain a " Lady priest " to say mass daily and to teach the children of the parish freely. Since c. 1546 the rents had been paid to the ch. wds. for the use of the parish (*e, h, l, n*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	Wm Parkyns [18]
departed c. 1546	John Austen (*e*)

S. MARGARET'S CHAPEL AT BILLINGTON

Not mentioned in 1563. Apparently suppressed as a chantry in or before 1549, when it was certified to be endowed with a messuage etc. at Forebridge, given by Wm Salt on 29 Jan. 1539-40, worth 6*s.* net p.a. and a cottage on the common. The priest used to sing mass here for the ease of the inhabitants of the township of Billington as it was more than a mile from

VICARS

	ob. 1569	Robt Sherwin[a]
20 June 1569	res. 1578	Laurence Clowes[a]
31 Jan. 1578-9	res. 1583	Wm Crosby on M.A.?[1]
13 Aug. 1583	res. 1595	Thos Neale R.A.[a]
summer 1595	bur. 22 Mar. 1611-2	Robt Farquyar[a]
25 Aug. 1612		John Wheelock[a]
22 Feb. 1614-5		Thos Johnes[1]
18 Dec. 1617	occ. 1620	Thos Hatcher R.A.?[1]
27 Jan. 1623-4	res. 1636	Simon Dudson[1]
20 June 1636	sep. c. 1646	Jonathan Yates R.A.[1]
	occ. 1651-2 ob. c. 1670	Robt Spencer[1]
c. 1670	occ. 1680	Wm Royston R.A.[1]

CURATE

occ. 1533	Wm Ridwan[a]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Reported in 1549-53 to be endowed with a messuage and certain lands called "Our Lady's lands" in the respective holdings of Geo Cox (rent 9s.), Rich Parker (rent 7s.), Eden Horton, wid. (rent 7s.), and Agnes Oley or Otely (rent 8s.), which rents had always been at the order and disposition of the parishioners, who until c. 1546 were accustomed to employ them to maintain a "Lady priest" to say mass daily and to teach the children of the parish freely. Since c. 1546 the rents had been paid to the ch.-wds. for the use of the parish (c. 8, 1. iv).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	Wm Parkyns[1]
deprived c. 1546	John Austen (a)

S. MARGARET'S CHAPEL AT BILLINGTON

Not mentioned in 1563. Apparently suppressed as a chantry in or before 1546, when it was certified to be endowed with a messuage etc. at Forebridge, given by *Wm* Salt on 29 Jan. 1539-40, worth 6s. net p.a. and a cottage on the common. The priest used to sing mass here for the ease of the inhabitants of the township of Billington as it was more than a mile from

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the parish church. **Ch. Orn.,** 1549: 1 little bell at the end of the chapel; 3 oz. of white plate; and sundry ornaments worth 15*d.* (*e*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1604 a reader[19]

NOTES

[1] **Dyngley.** Fellow of All Souls, Ox., 1511, M.A. 1513, D.D. 1526 (*Foster*), preb. of Wigginton, Tamworth, 1533, preb. of Denston, Stafford, 1535. Paid tax of 19*s.* as rector in 1533.

[2] **Pylkington.** "Sacellanus relgius" (*sic*), admitted to Lichfield guild 1539 (*Harwood*, p. 417).

[3] **Stapulton,** Stapleton, Stapylton. M.A. 1522 Ox., probably son of Sir Brian Stapulton of Wighill, Yorks., perhaps student 1522 of Gray's Inn and rector of Little Warley, Essex, 1522 (*Foster*). Preb. of Whittington 1538-50. In 1549 it is alleged that he held 3 benefices in addition to this rectory (*S. H. C.*, 1912, p. 171). Subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 not paid.

[4] **Moore.** Subscribed in 1559, formerly perhaps preb. of Burton-on-Trent, q.v. In Jan. 1560-1 this rectory was in the hands of the bishop and the subsidy was not collected (19-509).

[5] **Sherwin.** Subscribed in 1559.

[6] **Clowes.** Probably retired to Madeley, as the will of a Madeley resident of this name was pr. 17 July 1594 by Ann the relict.

[7] **Campyon.** Probably M.A. 1571 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[8] **Neale,** Naile. B.A., gregem suum laudabiliter instructus. No preacher (1602 *return*). Preacher of scandalous life, seldom preacheth (1604 *return*). Ordained 1581 by Wm Overton. One of this name matric. 1576 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), another matric. 1572 Magd. Hall, Ox. Perhaps son of Thos Neale B.D., rector of Thenford, Npton (*Foster*). Vicar of Tutbury 1595-1627, w.p. 26 Jan. 1626-7.

[9] **Parpoynt,** Pearpoynte. No preacher. Vicarage worth 10*l.* p.a., rectory 100*l.* p.a., latter being impropriated to Archbp of Dublin (1604 *return*).

[10] **Wheelock.** *See* **Norton-in-the-moors.**

[11] **Johnes.** *See* **Chilcote and Rugeley.**

[12] **Fletcher.** *See* **Haughton.**

[13] **Dudson.** *See* **Seighford.**

[14] **Yates.** B.A. 1630 Brasenose Coll. Ox., son of Thos Yates of Middlewich, Ches., probably became vicar of Spratton, Northants, 1660 and rector of Blisworth 1664 (*Foster*). Stated by Walker to have been sequestered.

[15] **Spencer.** *See* **Eccleshall.**

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[16] **Royston.** Succeeded Spencer (*Gregory*), became rector of Haughton in 1686.

[17] **Ridware.** *See* **Swynnerton.**

[18] **Parkyns.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as priest in 1533, perhaps subscribed as Perkyn in 1559.

[19] **Reader.** Not named, no preacher, a lay reader, stipend 16 groats (1604 *return*).

BRAMSHALL

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 3 dornick vestments; 2 albes; 1 surplice; 1 towel; 1 Turkish satin cope; 3 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell; 1 brass laver; 1 gilt cross of wood & glass; 1 cruet; 1 glass pax; 1 little brass candlestick; 1 brass censer.

Ch. wds.: Wm Bagnold & John Patrick.

RECTORS

	res. 1532	Launcelot Markeham
31 July 1532	w.p. 5 Ap. 1585	Thos Bakewell [1]
7 June 1585	bur. 25 July 1636	Thos Key M.A.? [2]
9 Aug. 1636	occ. 1651-2	John Creeke [3]
occ. 1652	res. 26 Sep. 1658	John Shorthouse [4]
12 Mar. 1658-9	bur. 3 Oct. 1674	Laurence Dawson M.A. [5]
2 Jan. 1674-5		Robt Waldrom
occ. 1691		Geo Hancock [6]

CURATE

occ. 1659-74	Thos Beech [7]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Discovered in 1552-3 that this service had been endowed with one meadow in Bramshall, called Smyths Lea, in the tenure of Wm Taylor of Creighton at a rent of 3*s.* 4*d.* (*h, l*) or 13*s.* 4*d.* (*n*) and that "Our Lady's priest" had received the rent "within three years last past" (*n*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533	Stephen Atkynson

[11] **Royston.** Succeeded Spencer (Ragon), became rector of Haughton in 1050.

[12] **Ridware.** See Swynnerton.

[13] **Parkyns.** Paid tax of 5s. 4d. as priest in 1333, perhaps succeeded as Perkyn in 1350.

[14] **Reader.** Not named, no preacher, a lay reader, stipend 16 marks (1604 return).

BRAMSHALL

In 1513 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D.

Ch. dedn., 8 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 3 dornick vestments; 2 albes; 2 surplices; 1 towel; 1 Turkish satin cope; 3 bells (6); 1 sanctus bell; 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell; 1 brass layer; 1 gilt cross of wood & glass; 1 cruet; 1 glass pax; 1 little brass candlestick; 1 brass censer.

Ch. wdn.: Wm Bagnold & John Patrick.

RECTORS

	res. 1532	Launcelot Markham
21 July 1532	w.p. 5 Ap. 1585	Thos Eaborwell [1]
7 June 1585	bur. 25 July 1636	Thos Key M.A. [2]
9 Aug. 1636	occ. 1661-2	John Creek [3]
occ. 1672	res. 26 Sep. 1683	John Shorthouse [4]
12 Mar. 1683-9	bur. 3 Oct. 1724	Lawrence Dawson M.A. [5]
2 Jan. 1724-5		Robt Wilderson
occ. 1901		Geo Hancock [6]

CURATE

occ. 1650-74 — Thos Beech [7]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Discovered in 1552-3 that this service had been endowed with one meadow in Bramshall, called Smythe Lea, in the tenure of Wm Taylor of Creighton at a rent of 3s. 4d. (A. 6) or 13s. 4d. (w) and that "Our Lady's priest" had received the rent "within three years last past" (w)

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533 — Stephen Atkynson

NOTES

[1] **Bakewell.** In 1553 gave information to the Crown of the property belonging to Our Lady's Service, subscribed in 1559.

[2] **Key.** Scholaris oxoniensis et in sacris litteris bene exercitatus. A preacher, no degree (*returns* 1602-4). Ordained by Wm Overton in 1583, married Dorothy Basset in 1607, w.p. 20 Jan. 1636-7. Rectory worth 20*l.* in 1604.

[3] **Creeke.** Son of John Creeke, vicar of Penkridge 1635-43, who was probably living at King's Sutton in 1625. If so, this rector matriculated 1625 Lincoln Coll. Ox., aged 19 (*Foster*).

[4] **Shorthouse.** Signed register in 1652, married 15 Sep. 1653 Rebekah Rawlinson, resigned by deed dated 26 Sep. 1658, though the patron—Thos lord visc. Wenman, acting as guardian of his grandchild Greville Vernon?—did not receive notice of his resignation until 28 Feb. 1658-9 (*Lamb. MS.* 946, No. 9).

[5] **Dawson.** M.A. 1624 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), ordained deacon 13 June 1624, vicar of Uttoxeter 1653-8, nominated by Thos lord visc. Wenman 12 Mar. 1658-9, approved by commissioners 30 Mar. 1659, appointed (i.e. instituted) 4 May 1659 (*Lamb. MS.* 946, No. 9), paid subsidy of 1*l.* in Jan. 1661-2.

[6] **Hancock.** Married 10 May 1691 Sarah Horton. She was buried on 8 Oct. 1703.

[7] **Beech.** Married 2 Nov. 1672 Frances Warner, perhaps became curate of Fradswell chapel, Colwich, in 1686. She was buried here on 13 Feb. 1695-6 and is then described as of Milwich, which adjoins Fradswell.

BREWOOD

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, approp. to the dean of Lichfield and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction, in Lapley D.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 2 suites of vestments, one blue bordered with green, the other tawney branched with flowers & 1 cope of the same; 4 vestments with albes, 1 green, 1 tawney, 1 dornick, 1 bordered green; 1 blue embroidered velvet cope; 8 towels; 2 silver chalices with patens; 4 small brass candlesticks; 1 pair of organs; 1 brass pyx; 3 corporals with cases; 1 gilt cross with part of the staff copper; 2 brass crosses; 1 coverlet; 1 painted sepulchre cloth; 2 paxes; 4 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 3 sacring bells; 1 painted linen cross cloth; 1 brass censer.

In 1604 there were very many recusants here.

See the printed parish register for list of the earlier and later vicars.

VICARS

	temp. Ed IV	Wm Robenet [1]
	occ. 1513-53	Hen Fleming [2]
10 May 1553 ff.	?res. 1571	Rich Wharton [3]
1 Jan. 1571-2	bur. 2 Jan. 1602-3	Thos Grove [4]
14 Jan. 1602-3	bur. 27 June 1614	Roger Turner [5]
11 July 1615	bur. 20 Nov. 1629	Edward Pasmore
20 Feb. 1629-30	res. 1630	Wm Lindsell M.A.? [6]
12 May 1630		Geo Osney
1634	occ. 1645	Wm Chandler [7]
1 July 1646	res. 1663	John Dolman B.A. [8]
27 July 1663		Chas Bagnold B.A. [9]
19 Oct. 1664	ob. 1 Jan. 1677-8	Rich Emery B.A. [10]
1678		Wm Junks [11]

CHAPLAINS

occ. 1533	Thos Colyer
occ. 1533	Wm Coward
occ. 1533	John Nevals
occ. 1533	Nich Trant?

THE PRIEST'S SERVICE

Discovered in 1552-3 that there were certain messuages, cottages, lands and tenements in Brewood let to Robt Hawkins (*n*) or Robt Hawkins and others (*h, l*) at a yearly rent of 5*l.* (*h, l*) or 6*l.* (*n*) which belonged to this service and that a stipendiary priest had received the profits "these four years past" (*n*).

THE WHITE LADIES' PRIEST

Discovered in 1553 that there were other lands etc. here let to Thos Adams at a yearly rent of 10*s.*, which had been purchased by one "dame Margaret," prioress of the White Ladies of Brewood for the use of their priest, that Wm Cureton, priest, had been in receipt of this rent at the dissolution of this priory and had received it ever since (*n*).

occ. 1533-8	Wm Cureton [12]

See the printed parish register for list of the earlier and later vicars.

VICARS

	temp. Ed IV	Wm Robinson[1]
	occ. 1513-32	Hen Fleming[2]
10 May 1533 ll.	res. 1571	Rich Warton[3]
1 Jan. 1571-2	bur. 3 Jan. 1602-3	Thos Grove[4]
14 Jan. 1602-3	bur. 27 June 1613	Roger Turner[5]
11 July 1613	bur. 20 Nov. 1629	Edward Pearson
20 Feb. 1629-30	res. 1630	Wm Lindsell M.A.[7] *
12 May 1630		Geo Cosny
1634	occ. 1645	Wm Chandler[8]
1 July 1646	res. 1663	John Dolman B.A. *
27 July 1663		Chas Bagenald B.A.[9]
19 Oct. 1664	ob. 1 Jan. 1697-8	Rich Emery B.A. *
1698		Wm Jenks[11]

CHAPLAINS

occ. 1533	Thos Colyer
occ. 1533	Wm Coward
occ. 1533	John Nevale
occ. 1533	Nich Tisard

THE PRIEST'S SERVICE

Discovered in 1552-3 that there were certain messuages, cottages, lands and tenements in Hrewood let to Robt Hawkins (n) or Robt Hawkins and others (*h*, *l*) at a yearly rent of 5/ (*h*, *l*) or 6/ (n) which belonged to this service and that a stipendiary priest had received the profits "these four years past" (n).

THE WHITE LADIES' PRIEST

Discovered in 1553 that there were other lands etc. here let to Thos Adams at a yearly rent of 10/., which had been purchased by one "dame Margaret," poresses of the White Ladies of Ilrewood for the use of their priest, that Wm Cureton, priest, had been in receipt of this rent at the dissolution of this priory and had received it ever since (o).

occ. 1553-8 Wm Cureton[12]

THE BLACK LADIES' PRIEST

occ. 1538 Wm Parker [13]

NOTES

[1] **Robenet.** *See S. H. C.*, 1910, p. 158.

[2] **Fleming.** *See ibid.* pp. 162, 163. Mentioned as priest vicar in Apr. 1553 (*n*), perhaps identical with a vicar choral at Lichfield in 1559, who subscribed that year.

[3] **Wharton.** Instituted 10 June 1553, subscribed 1559, buried here 12 May 1587, probably resigned or was deprived of this vicarage, perhaps on the appointment of Grove.

[4] **Grove.** Scholaris oxoniensis et in sacris litteris incumbens, ordained by Thos Bentham.

[5] **Turner.** No preacher, a notable swearer and drunkard. Vicarage worth 100 marks (1604 *return*).

[6] **Lindsell.** Perhaps M.A. 1627 Clare Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), but not described as a graduate in diocesan register.

[7] **Chandler.** *See* **Bushbury.**

[8] **Dolman.** Probably B.A. 1638 Linc. Coll. Ox. and son of Thos. Dolman of Seisdon (*Foster*), signed testimony 1648, paid subsidy of 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* in Jan. 1661-2 and tax on 4 hearths here c. 1666. Probably identical with an M.A. of this name, who was ordained priest by Hackett 15 Feb. 1661-2 and became vicar of Wombourn cum Trysull, q.v., on 15 Feb. 1662-3. On 1 July 1646 the committee for plundered ministers found that his living was but 20*l.* p.a., so it granted him 50*l.* p.a. from the rents, etc., here, sequestered from the dean of Lichfield. On 31 May 1647 it granted him a further sum of 8*l.* p.a. from the rents of lands called Blackladies and Whiteladies here, sequestered from John Gifford and Peter Gifford, recusants, farmers thereof under the dean, as the former grant was then said to amount to only 40*l.* p.a. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 267; *S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. 1, p. 221.) Orders for the payment of the 50*l.* are frequent in 1649, 1650, etc. (*Bod. MS.* 326, p. 296; *Sion MS.*, p. 490; cf. *Lamb. MSS.* 979, p. 356; 973, p. 678; 978, pp. 617, 620; 976, p. 331; *Shaw*, II, p. 543.) In 1654 the augmentation appears to have been altered to 23*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.* out of the impropriate tithes here, though he is to receive all arrears of the 50*l.* grant. (*Lamb. MS.* 972, pp. 27, 95, 97.) In 1657 the tithes of Chillington are mentioned as having been granted to him (*Lamb. MS.* 993, p. 249) and in 1658 and 1659 the total augmentation is stated to be 39*l.* p.a. (*Lamb. MSS.* 994, p. 142; 981, p. 20.)

[9] **Bagnold.** Ordained priest on 26 July 1663, probably had been curate at Stoke.

[10] **Emery.** Son of Thos Emery of Stone, Staffs, born c. 1622,

THE BLACK LADIES' PRIEST

occ. 1538 *Wm Parker* [1]

NOTES

[1] **Rodneat.** See S. W. C., 1010, p. 1513.

[2] **Fleming.** See ibid. pp. 1623, 1693. Mentioned as priest vicar in Apr. 1533 (*n*), perhaps identical with a vicar choral at Lichfield in 1550, who subscribed that year.

[3] **Whatton.** Instituted to June 1553, subscribed 1560, buried here 12 May 1587, probably resigned or was deprived of this vicarage, perhaps on the appointment of Grove.

[4] **Grove.** Scholarly scientists et in sacris litteris insumbens, ordained by Thos Bentham.

[5] **Turner.** No preacher, a notable swearer and drunkard. Vicarage worth 100 marks (1604 valuation).

[6] **Linnell.** Perhaps M.A. 1587 Clare Coll. Camb. (Venn), but not described as a graduate in diocesan register.

[7] **Chandler.** See Rushbury.

[8] **Dolman.** Probably B.A. 1658 Linc. Coll. Ox. and son of Thos Dolman of Seisdon (Foster), signed testimony 1648, paid subsidy of 1/. 10s. 0d. in Jan. 1661-2 and 10s on 4 hearths here c. 1666. Probably identical with an M.A. of this name, who was ordained priest by Hackett 15 Feb. 1667-8 and became vicar of Wombourn cum Tettenhall, q.v., on 15 Feb. 1662-3. On 1 July 1663 the committee for plundered ministers found that his living was but 20/. p.a., so it granted him 50/. p.a. from the rents, etc., here, sequestered from the dean of Lichfield. On 31 May 1647 it granted him a further sum of 8/. p.a. from the rents of lands called Hinckleden and Whitehedes here, sequestered from John Gifford and Peter Gifford, Recusants, farmers thereof under the dean, as the former grant was then said to amount to only 40/. p.a. (Ind. MS. 323, p. 207; S. P. Dom. Inter. E. 2, pt. 1, p. 221.) Orders for the payment of the 50/. are frequent in 1660, 1650, etc. (Ind. MS. 325, p. 206, Sign MS., p. 400; cf. Lamb. MS. 979, p. 350; 972, p. 678; 978, pp. 619, 620; 976, p. 311; Shaw, ii, p. 543.) In 1654 the augmentation appears to have been altered to 23/. 12s. 4d. out of the impropriate tithes here, though he is to receive all arrears of the 50/. grant. (Lamb. MS. 972, pp. 47, 65, 674.) In 1657 the tithes of Gaillington are mentioned as having been granted to him (Lamb. MS. 973, p. 249) and in 1658 and 1659 the total augmentation is stated to be 30/. p.a. (Lamb. MS. 991, p. 142; 987, p. 20.)

[9] **Baynold.** Ordained priest on 26 July 1663, probably had been curate at Stoke.

[10] **Emery.** Son of Thos Emery of Stone, Staffs, born c. 1622,

educated at Shrewsbury school, B.A. S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn, Mayor*), ordained both deacon and priest on 20 Dec. 1663. Probably had been minister at Shareshill in 1651-2.

[11] **Junks.** Succeeded Emery (*Gregory*).

[12] **Cureton.** Although this chantry was dissolved in 1538, Cureton was still in receipt of this endowment in 1553 (*n*). Probably preb. of Curborough 1542-56, vicar of Eccleshall 1553-5 and rector of Swynnerton 1555-6.

[13] **Parker.** Received a " reward " of 30*s*. on his departure at the dissolution of the nunnery in 1538 (*Hibbert*, p. 227). See p. 176.

BURTON-ON-TRENT

In 1563 a curacy, without institution or any annexed chapels, in Leek D.

The Benedictine Abbey of S. Mary and S. Modwin was surrendered to the Crown on 14 Nov. 1539 by Wm Edie, the last abbot,[1] who became dean of the collegiate church that was established here by letters patent on 27 July 1540.[2] It was then styled the cathedral church of S. Mary of Burton[3] and some of the monks remained as prebendaries, canons, etc.[2] This college was dissolved in Nov. 1545 when a " chief curate " was appointed for the town of Burton.[4] Qn Mary appointed a rector here in June 1554, but its status as a rectory cannot have lasted many years, for the incumbents from 1560 onwards are invariably described as curates.

A detailed list of the church ornaments and other goods which belonged to the dean and chapter here in Nov. 1545 is printed by Hibbert on page 258 *et seq*.

Ch. Orn., 24 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 2 damask vestments, 1 green & 1 white; 3 copes, 1 of blue velvet, 1 of white damask, 1 of green dornick; 4 albes & amices; 2 altar fronts, 1 of white damask—now used as a carpet for the Lord's Table—1 of stained linen cloth; 2 table cloths; 4 towels; 2 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** Wm Caldwell & John Stone.

In 1604 said to be a great parish. **Patron:** Wm Lord Paget.

All the following members of the college were priests and (with the exception of Edie) they were all in receipt of a salary when the college was dissolved in Nov. 1545. There were also

5 singing men, 6 choristers, the schoolmaster,[5] 4 beadsmen and various servants and other officials attached to the college.[6]

DEANS

27 July 1540	ob. 1544	Wm Edie[7]
28 May 1544	res. Oct. 1545	Robt Brooke[8]

PREBENDARIES

27 July 1540		Jas Townley
27 July 1540	res. Oct. 1545	Roger Bull[9]
27 July 1540	res. Oct. 1545	Robt Moore[10]
27 July 1540	res. Oct. 1545	John Rudde B.D.

MINOR CANONS, LATE RELIGIOUS

John Carter[12]
John Hyern[13]
Wm Sutton[14]

MINOR CANONS, NEVER RELIGIOUS

Robt Baslowe[15]
Wm Myln(es)[16]
Wm Porter

GOSPELLER

Wm Tomlynson

EPISTOLER, LATE RELIGIOUS

Wm Hether[17]

PARISH PRIEST

Bartholomew Kyrkby[18]

CURATE

23 Nov. 1545 Robt Baslowe[15]

RECTOR

14 June 1554 Rich Hutton[19]

5 singing men, 5 choristers, the schoolmaster, 4 bedesmen and various servants and other officials attached to the college.[a]

DEANS

27 July 1540	ob. 1544	Wm Tedde[1]
28 May 1544	res. Oct. 1545	Robt Bocher[2]

PREBENDARIES

27 July 1540		Jas Townley
27 July 1540	res. Oct. 1545	Roger Hall[3]
27 July 1540	res. Oct. 1545	Robt Moore[4]
27 July 1540	res. Oct. 1545	John Rudde LL.D.

MINOR CANONS, LATE RELIGIOUS

John Carter[1]
John Lyon[2]
Wm Sutton[3]

MINOR CANONS, NEVER RELIGIOUS

Robt Baslow[1]
Wm Myddle[2]
Wm Porter

HOSPELLER

Wm Tomlynson

EPISTOLER, LATE RELIGIOUS

Wm Hodge[1]

PARISH PRIEST

Bartholomew Ryckby[1]

CURATE

23 Nov. 1545 — Robt Baslow[1]

RECTOR

14 June 1554 — Rich Hutton[1]

CURATES

	w.p. 2 July 1557	Bartholomew Francis
occ. 1560-76		Thos Smith [20]
occ. 1578		Anthony Geffcocke
occ. 1593		Peter Eckershall [21]
24 July 1601	occ. 1604	John Hassall D.D. [22]
9 July 1609		Robt Lussher M.A. [23]
7 July 1611	ob. 12 June 1656	John Folkingham M.A. [24]
(occ. 1649		Robt Campion)? [25]
25 Dec. 1651	occ. 1654	Philip Sharpe ?B.A. [26]
occ. 1661-6		Joseph Shilton [27]

LECTURER

eject. 1662	Thos Bakewell M.A.? [28]

THE BROTHERHOOD PRIESTS

Certified in 1548 that several persons had given 3 tenements and lands worth 51*s.* 8*d.* (*b, c*) or 59*s.* 7*d.* (*r*) net p.a. to maintain "brotherhood" or stipendiary priests in this church to pray for ever for their souls. Sometimes there had been 4, sometimes 3 and sometimes 2 of these priests. On 4 Nov. 1547 there were 2 priests, each receiving a salary of 25*s.* 9*d.* and they had no plate or goods (*b, c*). In 1552 a house and 1 chalice belonging to this service was discovered, the property was valued at 53*s.* 8*d.* and it was certified that the rent of these lands was being paid to Lord Paget (*h, l, m*).

INCUMBENTS

(occ. 1538	Robt Malton)? [29]
occ. 1538-47	Thos Smith [20]
occ. 1547	John Hill [30]

NOTES

[1] *S. H. C.*, pt. 1, p. 6.

[2] *Hibbert*, p. 177.

[3] *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 105, pp. 8, 38.

[4] *Hibbert*, p. 268.

[5] **Schoolmaster.** The grammar school here had been endowed by Wm Beyne, abbot of Burton 1502-33 (*Hibbert*, p. 81). Rich Harman

CURATES

	w. p. 2 July 1557	Bartholomew Francis
	occ. 1560-76	Thos Smith[2]
	occ. 1578	Anthony Geffrocke
	occ. 1593	Peter Eckersall[2]
21 July 1601	occ. 1604	John Hassall D.D.[2]
9 July 1609		Robt Tuesher M.A.[2]
7 July 1611	ob. 12 June 1625	John Rolleinghan M.A.[2]
	(occ. 1649)	Robt Campbell[2]
25 Dec. 1651	occ. 1654	Philip Sharpe B.A.[2]
	occ. 1661-6	Joseph Shelton[2]

LECTURER

	elect. 1663	Thos Bakewell M.A.[2]

THE BROTHERHOOD PRIESTS

Certified in 1548 that several persons had given 3 tenements and lands worth 51s. 8d. (6, e) or 50s. 2d. (7) net p.a. to maintain "brotherhood" or stipendiary priests in this church to pray for over for their souls. Sometimes there had been 4, sometimes 3 and sometimes 2 of these priests. On 4 Nov. 1547 there were 2 priests, each receiving a salary of 53s. 9d. and they had no plate or goods (6, e). In 1552 a house and 1 chalice belonging to this service was discovered, the property was valued at 55s. 8d. and it was certified that the rent of these lands was being paid to Lord Paget (6, A, m):

INCUMBENTS

	(occ. 1538)	Robt Malton)[2]
	occ. 1538-47	Thos Smith[2]
	occ. 1547	John Hill[2]

NOTES

[1] S. H. C., pt. 1, p. 6.

[2] Hibbert, p. 177.

[3] Aug. Ars. 88, 103, pp. 8, 38.

[4] Hibbert, p. 208.

[5] Schoolmaster. The grammar school here had been endowed by Wm Bayne, abbot of Burton 1502-33 (Hibbert, p. 81). Rich Harman

was the master in 1545 with a salary of 5*l.* (*ibid.* p. 270). He had been appointed by Abbot Edie on 4 Sep. 1537 on the understanding that he should read a lecture three times weekly in Burton church (*Aug. Mis. Bk.* 105, p. 12).

[6] The names, salaries and the rewards paid to all these individuals are given by *Hibbert*, pp. 268-271; cf. p. 191.

[7] **Edie,** Edys or Edes. Elected abbot on 13 Ap. 1534 (*S. H. C.*, v, pt. 1, p. 6) through Cromwell's influence (*Hibbert*, pp. 47, 82, 137, 149, 177, 191).

[8] **Brooke** or Brocke. Described as "Dr," granted a pension of 40*l.* in 1545. (*Hibbert*, pp. 177, 277.) Circa 1555-6 his pension is given as 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (*ibid.* p. 191).

[9] **Bull,** ?Ball. Granted a pension of 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1545, which by 1555 had been reduced to 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (*Hibbert*, pp. 191, 277.)

[10] **Moore.** Granted a pension of 16*l.* in 1545, reduced to 6*l.* in 1555 (*ibid.*). Perhaps became rector of Bradeley, q.v.

[12] **Carter.** Granted a pension of 6*l.* in 1545, which was paid him for many years (*Hibbert*, p. 191) (*q*).

[13] **Hyern,** Heron or Jermy. Granted a pension of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in 1545, still being paid him c. 1555 (*Hibbert*, p. 191).

[14] **Sutton.** Granted a pension of 6*l.* in 1545, which was paid him for many years (*Hibbert*, pp. 191, 277) (*q*). *See* **Ellastone.**

[15] **Baslowe.** Did not receive any pension or "reward" at the dissolution of the college, because appointed to be the chief curate here. (*Hibbert*, p. 268.) May have been a chaplain at Walsall in 1533.

[16] **Myln(es),** i.e. ?Milles. Perhaps had been curate at Handsworth in 1533.

[17] **Hether.** Granted a pension of 5*l.* in 1545, still being paid c. 1555.

[18] **Kyrkby.** Subscribed in 1559.

[19] **Hutton.** Appointed by the Crown (*Pat. Rolls*). Two men of this name took their degrees at Oxford, one M.A. in 1509, the other B.A. in 1510 (*Foster*).

[20] **Smith.** Originally one of the brotherhood priests here with a stipend of 25*s.* 9*d.* (*c*) and a pension of the same from 1548 (*p*, *q*). (*Hibbert*, p. 191.) Possibly identical with a monk of this name who signed the deed of surrender of Tutbury Priory in 1538. (*Hibbert*, p. 167.) Subsequently he became the curate here and as such paid a subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1560, '68, '69, '71, '73 and '76. (19-508, 516, 519, 522, 523, 526.) Subscribed in 1559.

[21] **Eckershall.** Scholaris ruralis et predicator publicus. Ordained by Thos Bentham.

[22] **Hassall.** Born in London in 1572, fellow of New Coll. Ox. 1594-1603, B.C.L. 1600, D.D. 1626, preb. of Eccleshall 1604-16,

was the master in 1545 with a salary of 5l. (*Ibid.* p. 270). He had been appointed by Abbot Eddis on 4 Sept. 1537 on the understanding that he should read a lecture three times weekly in Burton church (*Add. Mss.* 6A. 105, p. 12).

[6] The names, salaries and the rewards paid to all these individuals are given by *Hibbert*, pp. 208–271; cf. p. 191.

[7] **Eaie**, Edye or Eades. Elected abbot on 15 Apr. 1534 (S. & C., v, pt. 1, p. 6) through Cromwell's influence (*Hibbert*, pp. 42, 60, 139, 149, 177, 191).

[8] **Brooke** or Brocke. Described as "Dr," granted a pension of 40l. in 1545. (*Hibbert*, pp. 177, 277.) Circa 1555–6 his pension is given as 66l. 13s. 4d. (*Ibid.* p. 191).

[9] **Bull**, ? Ball. Granted a pension of 13l. 6s. 8d. in 1545, which by 1555 had been reduced to 6l. 13s. 4d. (*Hibbert*, pp. 191, 277.)

[10] **Moore**. Granted a pension of 10l. in 1545, reduced to 6l. in 1555 (*Ibid.*). Perhaps became rector of Rudeley, q.v.

[11] **Carter**. Granted a pension of 6l. in 1545, which was paid him for many years (*Hibbert*, p. 191) (q).

[12] **Hyern**, Heron or Jerny. Granted a pension of 6l. 13s. 4d. in 1545, still being paid him c. 1555 (*Hibbert*, p. 191).

[13] **Sutton**. Granted a pension of 6l. in 1545, which was paid him for many years (*Hibbert*, pp. 191, 277) (q). See Ellastone.

[14] **Baslowe**. Did not receive any pension or "reward" at the dissolution of the college, because appointed to be the chief curate here. (*Hibbert*, p. 205.) May have been a chaplain at Walsall in 1533.

[15] **Mylin(es)**, i.e. ? Milles. Perhaps had been curate at Handsworth in 1532.

[16] **Hether**. Granted a pension of 5l. in 1545, still being paid c. 1555.

[17] **Kyrkby**. Subscribed in 1550.

[18] **Hutton**. Appointed by the Crown (Pat. Rolls). Two men of this name took their degrees at Oxford, one M.A. in 1509, the other B.A. in 1510 (*Foster*).

[19] **Smith**. Originally one of the brotherhood priests here with a stipend of 25s. 9d. (c) and a pension of the same from 1548 (*Add.* 6), (*Hibbert*, p. 191.) Possibly identified with a monk of this name who signed the deed of surrender of Tutbury Priory in 1538. (*Hibbert*, p. 107.) Subsequently he became the curate here and as such paid a subsidy of 6s. 8d. in 1560, '68, '69, '71, '73 and '76. (19–508, 510, 520, 522, 523, 526.) Subscribed in 1559.

[20] **Eckersnall**. Scholaris munis et prædicator publicus. Ordained by Thos Beaulieu.

[21] **Hassall**. Born in London in 1572, fellow of New Coll. Ox. 1594–1603, B.C.L. 1600, D.D. 1620, preb. of Ecclesfield 1604–10,

dean of Norwich from 1628, rector of Brancaster 1603, of Great Bircham 1608, and of North Creake 1640, where he died in Dec. 1654 (*Foster*). A preacher, vicar's salary 40*l.* p.a. (1604 *return*). *See Simms.*

[23] **Lussher.** Probably M.A. 1589 Trin. Coll. Camb., B.D. 1601 (*Venn*).

[24] **Folkingham,** Folkington or Falkingham. M.A. 1604 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). His monument in Burton church states that he had been minister there for upwards of 40 years and that he was 78 years old when he died. He had 19 children by his wife Katherine. (*Stebbing Shaw*, 1, p. 10.) Circa 1651-4 Sharpe was regarded as the minister here by the Commonwealth authorities.

[25] **Campion.** It is possible that Campion was the puritan minister here (*see last note*), since he is described as "clericus" and "of Burton" when he married Joan Reynold at Barton-under-Needwood on 11 Ap. 1649.

[26] **Sharpe.** *See* **Armitage.** Granted by the committee (for the reformation of the universities?) on 17 Mar. 1651-2 an augmentation of 50*l.* out of rectory of Hanbury to be paid from 25 Dec. 1651, as this living was but worth 40*l.* This augmentation had been formerly granted to Mr Anthony Mason, minister of Newborough chapel, deceased. (*Sion MS.*, p. 498.) Appointed assistant to the commissioners for the removal of scandalous ministers in 1654, certified the fitness of a candidate for the ministry in 1654 (*Lamb. MS.* 997, pt. 1, p. 52), occurs as late minister here c. 1659 (*Lamb. MS.* 994, p. 142).

[27] **Shilton.** Paid a subsidy of 10*s.* 0*d.* before 9 Jan. 1661-2, ordained priest and deacon on 13 July 1662.

[28] **Bakewell.** Ejected from Rolleston rectory, q.v., in 1661, then settled at Burton and received a stipend of 30*l.* p.a. for "lecturing" here from the Clothworkers of London. Probably this was stopped in 1662, but he continued to preach here till 1672, when he removed to London. Imprisoned for 10 weeks in 1662 (*Calamy*).

[29] **Malton.** Occurs as a chaplain here in 1538, so may have been one of these stipendiaries. (*S. H. C.*, 1912, p. 137.)

[30] **Hill.** Granted a pension of 25*s.* 9*d.* in 1548 (*p*). Possibly had been a chaplain at Wolseley, Colwich, in 1533-5.

BUSHBURY

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D., formerly approp. to the priory of S. Thomas by Stafford.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 vest-

dean of Norwich from 1628, rector of Bressingham 1609, of Great Ellingham 1628, and of North-Tuddenham 1629, where he died in Dec. 1634 (*Fasti*). A preacher, vicar's salary 40*l.* pa. (*Hist. Parliament*). See Symons.

[22] **Lussner.** Probably M.A. 1590 Trin. Coll. Camb. B.D. 1600 (*Venn*).

[23] **Folkingham, Folkington or Falkingham.** M.A. 1601 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). His monument in Burton church states that he had been minister there for nineteen of 40 years and that he was 78 years old when he died. He had 10 children by his wife Katherine (*Staffordshire Stan.* 1, p. 10.) Circa 1631-4 Sharpe was regarded as the minister there by the Commonwealth authorities.

[24] **Campion.** It is possible that Campion was the puritan minister here (see last note), since he is described as "clericus" and "of Burton" when he married Joan Reynold at Burton-under-Needwood on 11 Ap. 1609.

[25] **Sharpe.** See **Armitage.** Granted by the commitee (for the reformation of the universities?) on 17 Mar. 1651-2 an augmentation of 50*l.* out of rectory of Hanbury to be paid from 25 Dec. 1651, as this living was but worth 40*l.* This augmentation had been formerly granted to Mr Anthony Malcom, minister of Newborough chapel, deceased. (*Stow MS.*, p. 403.) Appointed assistant to the commissioners for the removal of scandalous ministers in 1654, certified the lunacy of a candidate for the ministry in 1654 (*Lansd. MS.* 997, pt. 1, p. 52), occurs as late minister here c. 1659 (*Lansd. MS.* 994, p. 124).

[26] **Shilton.** Had a subsidy of 10*s.* 6*d.* before 9 Jan. 1661-2, ordained priest and deacon on 19 July 1662.

[27] **Bakewell.** Ejected from Rolleston rectory, q.v., in 1661, then settled at Burton and received a stipend of 30*l.* pa. for "lecturing" here from the Clothworkers of London. Probably this was stopped in 1662, but he continued to preach here till 1672, when he removed to London. Imprisoned for 10 weeks in 1683 (*Calamy*).

[28] **Mallon.** Occurs as a chaplain here in 1738, so may have been one of these stipendiaries. (*S. R. C.*, 1912, p. 137.)

[29] **Hill.** Granted a pension of 23*s.* 6*d.* in 1748 (?). Possibly had been a chaplain at Wolseley, Colwich, in 1733-5.

BUSHBURY

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D., formerly appropr. to the priory of S. Thomas by Stafford.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 vest-

ments with albes, 1 blue, 1 red, 1 green; 3 copes; 1 brass cross; 1 brass censer; 2 candlesticks; 1 green silk cloth with tin pyx; 3 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Wobaston & Thos Haworth.

In 1604 there were "many popish & many recusants" here.

Patrons: 1558 Bryan Fowler, 1568 Jas Fowler, 1604 Sir Edw Littleton, 1626 Jonas Grosvenor and Rich Lee clk.

VICARS

temp. Ed IV		Wm Ferrour [1]
occ. 1529	w.p. 15 Mar. 1545-6	Hen Slane [2]
7 May 1546	res. 1558	Rich Edwardes [3]
4 May 1558	ob. 1567	Rich Willson [4]
20 Mar. 1567-8	ob. c. Aug. 1626	Francis Colley [5]
15 Sep. 1626	res. c. Sep. 1631	Samuel Smith [6]
17 Sep. 1631		Hamlet Bourne M.A. [7]
7 Aug. 1646	occ. 1666	Wm Chandler [8]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1549 that one close of land worth 8*s.* 0*d.* p.a. had been given in 1529 by John Alport and Wm Alport to the use of Hum Fletcher priest, who was to sing daily mass at Our Lady's altar. This entry is, however, struck through "quia non in esse infra quinque annis" (*e*).

occ. 1529	Hum Fletcher

NOTES

[1] **Ferrour.** *See S. H. C.*, 1910, p. 160.

[2] **Slane** or Slany. The priory of S. Thomas by Stafford owed him 40*s.* 0*d.* in 1538. (*Hibbert*, p. 235.)

[3] **Edwardes.** Subscribed in 1559, perhaps preb. of Pipa parva 1563-81?

[4] **Willson.** Perhaps matric. 1549 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Described as "chaplain" when instituted, subscribed in 1559.

[5] **Colley,** Collye. Scholaris ruralis et mediocriter doctus. No preacher, a mere wordling (1604 *return*). Ordained by Thos Bentham, judging from his will was fairly well off, w.p. 26 Oct. 1626 (*P.C.C.* 139, Hele). Vicarage worth 30*l.* in 1604.

[6] **Smith.** Not mentioned as a graduate in diocesan register.

ments with albes, 1 blue, 1 red, 1 green, 4 copes; 1 brass cross; 1 brass censer; 2 candlesticks; 1 green silk cloth with tin pyx; 3 bells (at), 1 sanctus bell. Ch. wks.: Thos. Wibaston & Thos. Haworth.

In 1604 there were "many popish & many recusants" here.

Patrons: 1555 Bryan Fowler; 1568 Jas. Fowler, 1604 Sir Edw. Littleton, 1626 Jonas Grosvenor and Rich. Lee et al.

VICARS

Rog. Ed[illegible] IV		Wm Ferrom [1]
	occ. 1429 w.p. 15 Mar. 1443-6	Hen Slane [2]
7 May 1446	res. 1492	Rich Edwardes [3]
4 May 1493	ob. 1507	Rich Willison [4]
20 Mar. 1507-8	ob. c. Aug. 1620	Francis Colley [5]
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[1] Ferrom. See S. M. C., 1916, p. 160.

[2] Slane or Slany. The priory of S. Thomas by Stafford owed him 40s. od. in 1535. (Hibbert, p. 235.)

[3] Edwardes. Subscribed in 1550, perhaps pres. of Pipe, incum. 1503-8?

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[6] Smith. Not mentioned as a graduate in diocesan register.

[7] **Bourne.** M.A. 1619 Ox. (*Foster*).

[8] **Chandler.** Perhaps son of Wm Chandler of Stratford-on-Avon. If so, matriculated 1624 S. John's Coll. Ox., aged 19 (*Foster*). Vicar of Brewood 1634-45, appointed to this living by Parliament (*Shaw*, II, p. 330) (year given as 1645 in "Institution Books"), paid subsidy of 13*s*. in Jan. 1661-2 and certified number of hearths here in 1666. One of this name was preb. of Monmore, Wolverhampton, q.v., in 1680.

BUTTERTON (MANIFOLD VALLEY)

In 1563 a church or chapel with cure, but without institution, in Leek D., formerly a chapel of Mayfield and appropriated to Tutbury Priory.[1]

Ch..Orn., 8 May 1553: 2 green silk vestments; 2 albes; 1 altar cloth; 1 pewter cruet; 1 brass bucket; 2 brass crosses; 1 brass pyx; 2 bells (*s*); 1 sacring bell; 1 hand bell; 1 silver chalice with paten.

CURATES

occ. 1533	Rich Rogers
occ. 1568	Ralph Alcock[2]
occ. 1593-1620	Hugh Higgenbotham[3]
in 1646	a minister[4]
occ. 1651-2	Geo Hambleton[5]

NOTES

[1] **Butterton.** Subsequently described as a chapel of Mayfield in 1593, 1604 and until towards the close of the nineteenth century.

[2] **Alcock.** Paid subsidy of 6*s*. 8*d*. in 1568.

[3] **Higgenbotham.** "Scholaris ruralis et indoctus, presbyter pretensus ordinatur per Wm Coven. et Lich., sed falso et furtive." Did not exhibit certificate of his life—i.e. of his morals—in 1593. No preacher, of very loose life and ignorant (1604 *return*). Rectorial tithes impropriate to Mr Wm Cavendish, vicarial tithes belong to vicar (of Mayfield? *see* note 1) (1604 *return*).

[4] On 26 Sep. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers found that the minister here had but 4*l*. 10*s*. 0*d*. p.a., so it granted him 20*l*. p.a. from the rectory of Penkridge, sequestered from Sir Edw Littleton, delinquent, the chapels of Penkridge being first provided for. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 359; *S. P. Dom. Inter.* F 1, p. 209.)

[5] **Hambleton.** Probably had been curate of Warslow chapel, Alstonefield, in 1620.

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BUTTERTON (MANIFOLD VALLEY)

In 1503 a church or chapel with cure, but without institution, in Leek D., formerly a chapel of Mayfield and appropriated to Tutbury Priory.[1]

Ch. Orn. 8 May 1533: 2 green silk vestments; 2 albes; 1 altar cloth; 1 pewter cruet; 1 brass bucket; 2 brass crosses; 1 brass pyx; 2 bells (2); 1 sanctus bell; 1 hand bell; 1 silver chalice with paten.

CURATES

occ. 1533	Rich Rogers
occ. 1595	Ralph Alcock[2]
occ. 1595-1620	Hugh Higgenbotham[3]
in 1646	a minister[4]
occ. 1652-2	Geo Hamblelon[5]

NOTES

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[2] **Alcock.** Paid subsidy of 6/. 8d. in 1595.

[3] **Higgenbotham.** "Scholaris ruralis et indoctus, presbyter pretensus ordinatur per Wm Coven, et Lich., sed laico et furtive." Did not exhibit certificate of his life—i.e. of his morals—in 1593. No preacher, of very loose life and ignorant (1604 *visam*). Rectorial tithes improprate to Mr Wm Cavendish, vicarial tithes belong to vicar (of Mayfield? see note 1) (1604 *visam*).

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CALDON

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In the thirteenth century it was a chapel of Ilam and appropriated to the Abbey of Burton.[1]

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments, 1 of red silk, 1 of red saie; 1 silk cope; 1 surplice; 1 corporal with case; 1 maslyn pyx; 2 altar cloths; 2 pewter cruets; 1 brass censer; 1 copper cross; 2 albes; 1 sanctus bell; 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell; 2 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** Geo Lorte & Hen Kente.

CURATES

occ. 1533		Thos Hode
occ. 1593	w.p. 24 May 1600	Roger Fynney[2]
occ. 1604		a curate[3]
occ. 1620		Rich Tetlowe[4]
occ. 1651		John Ravensdall
occ. 1666		Robt Thompson[5]

NOTES

[1] *S. H. C.*, v, pt. 1, p. 73.

[2] **Fynney.** Scholaris ruralis et indoctus, ordained by Wm, bp of Llandaff.

[3] **Curate.** Not named, no preacher, very ignorant, stipend 6*l.* Rectory impropriate to Mr Adderley (1604 *return*).

[4] **Tetlowe.** *See* **Bradley-in-the-moors.**

[5] **Thompson.** *See* **Waterfall.**

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occ. 1533		Thos Hade
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Rich Mere then singing in this chapel (*b, r*). In 1549 it is stated that this messuage was in the tenure of James Ulleston (Wolleston) and that the chapel and its possessions had been granted on 7 Feb. 1548-9 to Wm Evard? of London, gentleman.[1]

In 1588 the Crown granted a lease of a granary at Calton in the parish of Waterfall, formerly the property of Rocester Abbey, to Wm Whittingham and of the tithes thereof to Rich Elde[2]

In 1604 Calton is described as a village standing in 3 or 4 parishes and as a " curatship maintained, tenen., bought by the parishioners for that purpose."

Ch. Orn., 1553 : 1 saie vestment ; 1 corporal ; 2 bells.

CURATES

occ. 1548	Rich Mere
in 1593	a curate[3]
occ. 1602-20	John Tetlowe[4]
occ. 1651-2	Thos Tetlowe

OBIT

Mentioned c. 1550 that an obit had been endowed here with property worth 2*s.* p.a. (*r*).

NOTES

[1] *T. R. Misc. Bk.* 258, p. 52.

[2] *Leases*, Roll 1, No. 14 ; cf. Roll 2, No. 31.

[3] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination.

[4] **Tetlowe.** No degree, no preacher, a mere worldling and very ignorant (1602-4 *returns*). Perhaps had been curate of Waterfall, q.v.

CANNOCK

In 1563 a church, without any annexed chapels, approp. to the dean and chapter of Lichfield and subject to their peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., May 1553 : 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten ; 4 pairs of vestments, 1 of red silk, 1 of white fustian, 1 of Naples fustian, 1 of green silk ; 3 copes ; 3 altar cloths ; 3 bells ; 1 sanctus bell.

The 1604 report states: "People 400, almost all papists, as is commonly seen in the jurisdiction of the dean and chapter of Lichfield."

CURATES

occ. 1533	Rich Wall
occ. 1571-73	Hen Sear [1]
occ. 1576	Thos Paynton [2]
occ. 1604	a curate [3]
occ. 1648-62	Rich Bourne M.A. [4]
occ. 1666	Walter Hollier B.A. [5]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1548 that this service was endowed with sundry lands and tithes worth 4*l.* 14*s.* 5½*d.* (*b*) or 4*l.* 18*s.* 5½*d.* (*c*) net p.a., with 10 kine worth 6*l.* and with 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* in ready money which had been given by several persons to maintain a priest to sing (mass) daily at the Lady Altar in the parish church; that this priest had kept a grammar school for the past 30 years and had taught the children of the parish for the most part freely; that he was removable at the will of the wardens of the said service and that there were 4 oz. of white plate and ornaments worth 5*s.* 2*d.* belonging thereunto (*b, c*).

Ordered by the commissioners on 20 July 1548 that this school should continue with Peryn as schoolmaster at a salary of 4*l.* 14*s.* 5½*d.* p.a. [6]

Value of these endowments returned at 12*s.* 6*d.* c. 1550 (*r*), which perhaps was the residue after payment of this salary.

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INCUMBENT

occ. 1548	Laurence Peryn [7]

S. MARGARET'S CHAPEL

Certified in 1548 that this chapel was endowed with a yearly rent of 4*d.*, that it possessed 1 little bell and that only one mass yearly was said therein (*b, r*).

The 1604 report states: "People too, air out all papists, as is commonly seen in the jurisdiction of the dean and chapter of Lichfield."

CURATES

occ. 1533	Rich Wall
occ. 1571-73	Hen Sam[1]
occ. 1576	Thos Faunton[2]
occ. 1604	[illegible] curate[3]
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INCUMBENT

occ. 1548 Laurence Pryan[7]

S. MARGARET'S CHAPEL

Certified in 1548 that this chapel was endowed with a yearly rent of 4d., that it possessed a little bell and that only one mass yearly was said therein (b, c).

NOTES

[1] **Sear.** Paid subsidies of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1571 and 1573 (19-522, 523).

[2] **Paynton.** Paid similar subsidy in 1576 (19-526). Probably became curate at Norton Canes, q.v.

[3] **Curate.** Not named, no preacher, salary 8*l.* (1604 *return*).

[4] **Bourne.** M.A. 1639 Exeter Coll. Ox., son of Thos Bourne of Norton-in-the-moors (*Foster*). Formerly minister of Thursfield chapel c. 1641, married c. 1641, at Burslem, Jane Burton of Norton (*Burslem Par. Reg.*), signed testimony as minister here in 1648, vicar of Walsall 1662-87, preb. of Ufton decanni 1660-82 ?

On 17 June 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted to an unnamed curate here—probably Bourne—an augmentation of 50*l.* p.a. out of this impropriate rectory, which had been demised by the dean and chapter of Lichfield to Mr Coleman, papist and delinquent. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 267.)

On 14 Ap. 1654 the trustees ordered that he should be " established " here and receive an augmentation—amount not named—after he had received approbation from the commissioners. (*Lamb. MS.* 975, p. 343.)

On 3 May 1654 Bourne, " former curate," was established here by the commissioners and authorized to preach the gospel, etc., at a salary of 100*l.* (*Lamb. MS.* 973, p. 675.)

On 11 Oct. 1655 the trustees made him a grant—sum not named—which they ordered to be continued on 16 Dec. 1657. (*Lamb. MS.* 995, p. 11.) Circa 1658-9 he was in receipt of an augmentation of 80*l.* (*Lamb. MSS.* 981, p. 20; 994, p. 142.)

[5] **Hollier.** B.A. 1661 Ch. Ch. Ox. (*Foster*), ordained priest by Hackett 14 Dec. 1662, signed these transcripts in 1666.

[6] *Grants.* In 1588 John Colman was the occupier of a house here called the priest's chamber. (*Leases*, Roll II, p. 9.)

[7] **Peryn.** Salary in June 1548 4*l.* 18*s.* 5½*d.* (*c*).

CAVERSWALL

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D. formerly approp. to S. Thomas's Priory by Stafford.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 2 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell; 1 copper cross with banner; 2 brass censers; 1 cruet; 1 towel; 2 vestments, 1 of blue camlet, 1 of taffeta silk, with all things thereto belonging; 1 rochet; 2 copes, 1 of red silk, 1 of chequered crewell; 2 corporals with cases; 1 surplice; 2 altar cloths. **Ch. wds.:** Edmund Clarke & Rich Hone.

1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten had been delivered to Rich Forsett, surveyor, and 1 white fustian vestment, with all things to it, and 30*s.* 6*d.* in money to Rich Cowper, surveyor.

Patrons: 1563 Rich Fowler, 1604-18 (Thos) Browne of Caverswall, 1662 Geo Parker.

VICARS

	w.p. 12 May 1533	Nich Bolyvant
occ. 1539	w.p. 23 Ap. 1563	John Willdeblod [1]
5 June 1563		Rich Harvye [2]
10 Ap. 1590	bur. 3 Sep. 1603	Geo Barghe [3]
7 Sep. 1603		Ralph Turner [4]
9 Mar. 1612-3		Rich Barrow [14]
17 Nov. 1618	w.p. 21 Dec. 1649	Alexander Howe B.D. [5]
Oct. 1649	occ. 1651-2	Geo Reeve B.A.? [6]
	res. 1661	Wm Bott B.A.? [7]
10 Jan. 1661-2	ob. 1670	John Burtinshaw B.A. [8]
25 Sep. 1670		James Corbett [9]

CURATES

occ. 1568	John Bolt [10]
occ. 1569	Thos Bolt [11]
occ. 1571	John Perkin [12]
occ. 1573	Wm Reade [13]
occ. 1620	Rich Barrow [14]

NOTES

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[2] **Harvye.** One of this name was sub-prior of S. Thomas's Priory by Stafford in 1538 and another? chantry priest at Lichfield 1541-48.

[3] **Barghe.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris versatus. Instituted by Wm Overton 10 Ap. 1590, ordained priest by him 1 Aug. 1581, w.p. 5 Sep. 1603.

[4] **Turner.** A gentleman's household servant for many years, very ignorant, no preacher. Vicarage was worth 20 marks (1604 *return*).

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VICARS

occ. 1530	w.p. 12 May 1533	Nich Bolyvant
	w.p. 23 Ap. 1563	John Willdeblod [1]
5 June 1563		Rich Harvye [2]
10 Ap. 1590	bur. 5 Sep. 1603	Geo Sarcle [3]
7 Sep. 1603		Ralph Turner [4]
9 Mar. 1612-3		Rich Barrow [5]
17 Nov. 1618	w.p. 21 Dec. 1649	Alexander Hiew, B.D. [6]
Oct. 1649	occ. 1653-2	Geo Reeve B.A. [7]
	res. 1661	Wm Rich B.A. [7]
10 Jan. 1661-2	ob. 1670	John Martinslaw B.A. [8]
25 Sep. 1670		James Corbett [9]

CURATES

occ. 1508	John Bolt [10]
occ. 1509	Thos Bolt [11]
occ. 1571	John Perkin [12]
occ. 1573	Wm Reade [13]
occ. 1620	Rich Barrow [14]

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[4] **Turner.** A gentleman's household servant for many years, very ignorant, no preacher. Vicarage was worth 20 marks (Ibid. [illegible]).

[5] **Howe.** Matric. at Exeter Coll. Ox., as commoner from co. Devon, M.A. 1606, B.D. 1615 Corp. Ch. Ox. (*Foster*), rector of Draycott-in-the-moors 1614-49, preb. of Ufton decanni 1626-49, signed testimony 1648.

[6] **Reeve.** Perhaps son of Thos Reeve, gentleman. If so, born at Budge Row, S. Antlyns, London, c. 1624, educated at Bedford school—father then living at Weston, Herts.—B.A. 1643-4 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Mayor, Venn*). Became rector of Donington, Salop, ejected therefrom 1662, afterwards preached at Talk chapel, Audley (*Calamy*). On 3 Oct. 1649 the committee for plundered ministers granted him 10*l.* p.a. out of the tithes here and 2*l.* p.a. of rent reserved, which had been sequestered from Walter Fowler, papist and delinquent, as his maintenance was but 20*l.* p.a. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. 1, p. 264; *Bod. MSS.* 326, pp. 293, 295; and 327, p. 477.) In Dec. 1651 Thos Bateman, merchant, of London, petitioned the commissioners for compounding to annul this sequestration on the ground that Walter Fowler had disposed of this property on 16 Nov. 1640 and that the rectory had been in lease to him since 1 Aug. 1648. (*Roy. Comp.*, 1 series, vol. VI, p. 229.)

[7] **Bott.** Perhaps B.A. 1639 Hart Hall, Ox., and son of Rich Bott of Withington, Leigh (*Foster*).

[8] **Burtinshaw,** Buntinshaw. Appointed on resignation of Bott (*Dioc. Reg.*), ordained both deacon and priest 1 Jan. 1661-2, paid subsidy of 10*s.* 2*d.* Jan. 1661-2.

[9] **Corbett.** Formerly curate at Chapel Chorlton and Stoke-on-Trent.

[10] **Bolt** (John). Paid a subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1568 (19-516).

[11] **Bolt** (Thos). Paid the same in 1569 (19-519).

[12] **Perkin.** Paid the same in 1571 (19-523).

[13] **Reade.** Paid the same in 1573 (19-522). *See* **Rushton.**

[14] **Barrow.** Admitted to this vicarage in 1613 (*Bps. Certif.*), in 1620 was curate to Howe, the absentee vicar (1620 *return*).

CHEADLE

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 5 vestments, 1 of tawney velvet with all things to it, 1 of white Bruges satin, 1 of green do., 1 old green & 1 old red, with all things to them belonging; 2 green tunacles; 1 white damask cope; 2 old copes; 1 gilt copper chalice; 2 corporals with velvet cases; 1 pewter pyx with canopy; 2 altar cloths; 2 iron candlesticks; 1 brass holywater stock; 3 bells (*s*); 1 hand bell; 1 copper cross; 1 green satin cross

[illegible] Howe, Matric. at Exeter Coll. Ox., 23 contributor from co. Devon, M.A. 1606, B.D. 1615 Corp. Ch. Ox. (Foster), rector of Draycott-in-the-moors 1614-19, preb. of Lichfield, deceased 1629, signed testimony 1628.

[illegible] Reeve. Perhaps son of Thos Reeve, gentleman, Il 50, born at Bridge Row, S. Antlyns, London, c. 1624, educated at Redland school—father then living at Weston, Herts.—B.A. 1643-4 St John's Coll. Camb. (Mayor, Tees). Became rector of Donington, Salop, elected thereto 1661, afterwards preached at Tale chapel, Ashley (Cadway). On 3 Oct. 1670 the committee for plundering ministers granted him 10l. p.a. out of the tithes here and ¾ p.a. of rent reserved, which had been sequestered from Walter Fowler, papist and delinquent, as his maintenance was but 20l. p.a. (S. P. Dom. Ser. T. 2, pt. 1, p. 40); Ind. MSS 320, pp. 203, 293; and 327, p. 427.) In Dec. 1671 Thos Bateman, merchant, of London, petitioned the commissioners for compounding to annul this sequestration on the ground that Walter Fowler had disposed of this property on 10 Nov. 1640 and that the rectory had been in lease to him since 1 Aug. 1648. (Cal. Com., 1 series, vol. vi, p. 2504.)

[illegible] Bott. Perhaps R.A. 1610 Hart Hall, Ox., and son of Rich Bott of Wirlington, Leigh (Foster).

[illegible] Burtinshaw. Buntinshaw. Appointed on resignation of Butt (Dioc. Reg.), ordained both deacon and priest 1 Jan. 1661-2, paid subsidy of 10s. 2d. Jan. 1661-2.

[illegible] Corbett. Formerly curate at Chapel Chorlton and Stoke-on-Trent.

[illegible] Bott (John). Paid a subsidy of 6s. 8d. in 1568 (19-20).

[illegible] Bott (Thos). Paid the same in 1580 (22-23).

[illegible] Perkin. Paid the same in 1571 (13-23).

[illegible] Reade. Paid the same in 1572 (13-23). See Rushton.

[illegible] Barraw. Admitted to this vicarage in 1613 (Bps. Cert.), in 1620 was curate to Howe, the absentee vicar (1620 return).

CHEADLE

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Lect. D.

Ch. Ord., 8 May 1533: 5 vestments, 1 of tawny velvet with all things to it, 1 of white Bruges satin, 1 of green de, 1 old green, 3 1 old red, with all things to them belonging; 2 green tunicles; 1 white damask cope; 2 old copes, 1 gilt copper chalice; 2 corporals with velvet cases; 1 pyx or pyx with canopy; 2 altar cloths; 2 iron candlesticks; 1 brass holywater stock; 3 bells (5); 1 hand bell; 1 copper cross; 1 green satin cross.

cloth; 2 banner cloths; 3 cruets; 2 towels; 2 sacring bells; 1 sanctus bell in the custody of Thos Piotte. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Sherley (Shere?) & Roger Milnar.

Patrons: Trinity College, Camb.

RECTORS

1518	w.p. 10 Nov. 1554	Rich Norrys [1]
1554	w.p. 1558	Thos Powell [2]
1558	occ. 1561	Wm Gale [3]
2 Jan. 1561-2		Rich Foster M.A.? [4]
10 Mar 1573-4		Stephen Mylnes M.A. [5]
8 June 1580	occ. 1600	Rich Richards [6]
23 Dec. 1600	res. 1601	Thos Prowde B.D.? [7]
25 Jan. 1601-2		Sam Heron D.D. [8]
1609	res. 1616	Geo Wattes B.D.? [9]
2 Sep. 1616	ob. 1626	Wm Barton B.D.? [10]
9 Feb. 1627-8	ob. 1630	Nathaniel Taylour B.D. [11]
24 Sep. 1630	seq. 5 June 1645	Hen Goche D.D. [12]
5 June 1645	occ. 1648	Thos Alsop M.A.? [13]
occ. 1650	1651-2	Wm Langley M.A. [14]
occ. 1655	ob. 1673	Devereux Spencer M.A. [15]
9 July 1673		Daniel Brattell D.D. [16]
1677	ob. 1681	Jarvis Leigh M.A.

CURATES

occ. 1571	Thos Pyneton [17]
occ. 1599	Rauff Turner [18]
occ. 1602-7	Hamlet Carleton [19]
occ. 1619-20	Jas Holmes M.A.? [20]
occ. 1629	Walter Bromsgrove M.A.? [21]
occ. 1636	Christopher Turner M.A.? [22]
occ. 1659	Honorix Eppensor [23]
occ. 1662	Geo Egginton
occ. 1675	Rich Woodman
occ. 1677	Jarvis Leigh
occ. 1681	Hen Stubbs

cloth; 2 banner cloths; 3 crucis; 2 towels; 2 sanctus bells; 1 sanctus bell in the custody of Thos Pilotte. Ch. wds.: Wm Shirley (Sherer); & Roger Milnar.

Patrons: Trinity College, Camb.

RECTORS

1518	w.p. 10 Nov. 1551	Rich Norry[1]
1554	w.p. 1558	Thos Powell[2]
1558	occ. 1561	Wm Dale[3]
2 Jan. 1561-2		Rich Porter M.A.[2,4]
10 Mar 1573-4		Stephen Mynes M.A.[4]
8 June 1580	occ. 1600	Rich Kinsards[5]
23 Dec. 1600	res. 1601	Thos Prowde B.D.[2,7]
25 Jan. 1601-2		Sam Heron D.D.[6]
1609	res. 1616	Geo Wattes B.D.[2,8]
2 Sep. 1616	ob. 1626	Wm Barton B.D.[2,9]
9 Feb. 1627-8	ob. 1630	Nathaniel Taylour B.D.[2,10]
24 Sep. 1630	sep. 5 June 1645	Hen Cecile D.D.[11]
5 June 1645	occ. 1648	Thos Alsop M.A.[2,12]
occ. 1650	1651-2	Wm Langley M.A.[13]
occ. 1655	ob. 1675	Devereux Spencer M.A.[14]
9 July 1675		Daniel Bartlett D.D.[15]
1677	ob. 1681	Jarvis Leigh M.A.

CURATES

occ. 1571	Thos Pynton[2,7]
occ. 1590	Rauff Turner[2,8]
occ. 1602-7	Hunter Cupton[2,9]
occ. 1619-20	Jas Holmes M.A.[2,10]
occ. 1639	Walter Bromsgrove M.A.[2,11]
occ. 1638	Christopher Tanner M.A.[2,12]
occ. 1650	Honorie Eppenser[2,13]
occ. 1662	Geo Eggington
occ. 1675	Rich Woodman
occ. 1677	Jarvis Leigh
occ. 1681	Hen Stubbs

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in May 1548 that a sum of 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in ready money and 3 kine worth 1*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.* had been given by donors then unknown to be used at the discretion of the parishioners either in finding a priest, or in repairs to the church or in the maintenance of lights or lamps (*b*). Probably it was all applied in support of this service, for in Mar. 1548-9 Rich Forsett certified that there was a stock of cattle, goods and money here, worth 10*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* and of a yearly value of 10*s.*, which was applied in support of Our Lady's priest (*d*).

Certified in June 1549 that some unknown donors had left certain lands here, let to John Adderley and Wm Chalel? for 10*d.* p.a., 3*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.* in money worth 10*s.* p.a. and 4 kine valued at 2*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.* for Our Lady's priest to sing (mass) in this church and to pray for the souls of the donors (*e*). Circa 1550 the property lately belonging to the "stipendiary of the Virgin" here was valued at 10*s.* p.a. (*r*).

Discovered in 1552-3 that there were 10 kine belonging to this service in the hands of Thos Crompton and 2 chalices in the hands of Wm Loken and Wm Gledenhurst (*h, m, n*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-49 John Belott (*d, e*)

NOTES

[1] **Norrys** or Norres, not Morres, as in the *Valor*. Described as "Magr." in 1533.

[2] **Powell.** Preb. of Longdon 1543-56, desired to be buried in the chancel of Cheadle church. (*Harwood*, p. 236).

[3] **Gale.** Mentioned by Hutchinson.

[4] **Foster.** M.A. 1556, and fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Perhaps rector of Kingsley in the winter of 1564-5, preb. of Hansacre 7 Aug. 1574—8 Feb. 1574-5.

[5] **Mylnes** or Milles. Matric. 1563, M.A. 1570 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[6] **Richards.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris bene versitatus. Appointed by the Crown to this rectory, ordained by Thos Bentham, indebted to the subsidy payable 19 Feb. 1599-1600, and had not paid it by May 1600, so probably died about this date (*Subsidy* 20-560).

[7] **Prowde** or Proudes. M.A. 1587, fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.D. 1594, D.D. 1615 (*Venn*).

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in May 1548 that a sum of 1l. 12s. 4d. in ready money and 3 kine worth 1l. 15s. 4d. had been given by donors then unknown to be used at the discretion of the parishioners either in finding a priest, or in repairs to the church or in the maintenance of lights or lamps (6). Probably it was all applied in support of this service, for in Mar. 1548-9 Rich Forsett certified that there was a stock of cattle, goods and money here, worth 10l. 13s. 4d. and of a yearly value of 70s. which was applied in support of Our Lady's priest (a).

Certified in June 1549 that some unknown donors had left certain lands here, let to John Addeley and Wm Chalef for 10d. p.a. (7). 14s. 4d. in money worth 10s. p.a. and 4 kine valued at 2l. 10s. 4d. for Our Lady's priest to sing (mass) in this church and to pray for the souls of the donors (a). Gives 13s. the property lately belonging to the "stipendiary of the Virgin" here was valued at 10s. p.a. (7).

Discovered in 1552-3 that there were 10 kine belonging to this service in the hands of Thos Compton and 2 chalices in the hands of Wm Loken and Wm Gleadhurst (8, 9, a).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-40	John Beloit (6, a)

NOTES

[1] Norrys or Norres, not Morres, as in the Valor. Described as "Magr." in 1533.

[2] Powell, Fred. of Longdon 1543-50, desired to be buried in the chancel of Cheadle church. (Harwood, p. 320).

[3] Gale. Mentioned by Hutchinson.

[4] Foster, M.A. 1550, and fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Perhaps rector of Kingsley in the winter of 1504-5, pres. of Hanmere 7 Aug. 1574—8 Feb. 1574-5.

[5] Mylnes or Millies. Matric. 1509, M.A. 1520 Trin. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[6] Richards. Scholaris mutilis et in sacris litteris bene versatus. Appointed by the Crown to this rectory, ordained by Thos Bentham, indebted to the subsidy payable 10 Feb. 1550-and had not paid it by May 1560, so probably died about this date (Salisbury 20 300).

[7] Prowde or Prondes, M.A. 1572, fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb. B.D. 1594, D.D. 1613 (Venn).

[8] **Heron** or Hearne. M.A. 1582, fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., D.D. 1595, incorporated at Oxford as D.D. in 1598. Vicar of Trumpington, Camb., 1588, of Kendal 1591, of Kirkby Lonsdale 1591, of Normanton 1594, of Chesterton, Camb., 1595, of Enfield, Mid., 1598, of Fakenham, Norf., 1610 and rector of Tokenham, Wilts (*Venn, Foster*). A preacher, non-resident, rectory worth 6*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* (1604 *return*). Died in 1616.

[9] **Watts** or Wattes. M.A. 1592, fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.D. 1599 (*Venn*).

[10] **Barton.** M.A. 1586, fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.D. 1599 (*Venn*). Appointed 2 Sep. (*Institution Bks. P. R. O.*). Instituted 20 Nov.

[11] **Taylour,** Tailor. M.A. 1603, fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.D. 1617 (*Venn*).

[12] **Goche.** M.A. 1604, fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.D. 1620, D.D. 1627 (*Venn*). This rectory was sequestered from him by the committee for plundered ministers on 5 June 1645, who found that he had "wholly deserted this cure" for 6 months and upwards. By subsequent orders dated 18 Nov. 1645 and 27 June 1646 the committee directed that one-fifth of the profits of this rectory should be paid to his wife Elizabeth and their children, provided that Goche and his said wife yielded all due obedience to this sequestration. (*Add. MSS.* 15669, pp. 172, 410, and 15670, p. 252.) Walker states that Goche was sequestered for not taking the covenant and adds that he never received the aforenamed allowance. He died before the Restoration.

[13] **Alsop.** Probably M.A. 1639 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Appointed by the committee for plundered ministers, described as a godly and orthodox divine (*Add. MS.* 15669, p. 172), signed the testimony in 1648.

[14] **Langley.** Mentioned as rector here in the will of Edm Ashton of Bury, pr. in London 27 July 1650, and in the return of 1651-2. Held this rectory with the vicarage of Ellastone, q.v., and became minister at Lichfield, q.v., in 1651.

[15] **Spencer.** Fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.A. 1649-50, M.A. 1653 (*Venn*). Mentioned as rector in 1655 (Plant's *Cheadle*, p. 55), formally admitted as rector on 11 Feb. 1658-9 by the commissioners on the nomination of the master and fellows of his college (*Lamb. MS.* 999, p. 191), paid subsidy of 1*l.* in Jan. 1661-2, reinstituted by bishop 24 June 1662.

[16] **Brattell.** M.A. 1659, fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., D.D. 1681 (*Venn*).

[17] **Pyneton** (?Paynton). Paid a subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1571 (19-523). One Thos Payton matriculated 1548 Gonv. Hall, Camb. (*Venn*). *See* **Norton Canes.**

[8] **Heron** or Hearne, M.A. 1588, fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., D.D. 1595, incorporated at Oxford as D.D. in 1598. Vicar of Trumpington, Camb., 1588; of Kendal 1591, of Kirkby Lonsdale 1597, of Normanton 1604, of Chesterton, Camb., 1605, of Enfield, Mid., 1608, of Fakenham, Norf., 1610 and rector of Tolleshunt, Willis (Ven, Ver. 42). A preacher, non-resident, rectory worth £6. 6s. 6d. (Lond. deanery). Died in 1616.

[9] **Walls** or Wattes, M.A. 1592, fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.D. 1599 (Venn).

[10] **Barton**, M.A. 1586, fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.D. 1599 (Venn). Appointed 2 Sep. (Institution Bks. P. R. O.). Instituted 20 Nov.

[11] **Taylour**, Tailor, M.A. 1603, fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.D. 1617 (Venn).

[12] **Goche**, M.A. 1604, fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.D. 1620, D.D. 1627 (Venn). The rectory was sequestered from him by the committee for plundered ministers on 5 June 1649, who found that he had "wholly deserted this cure" for 6 months and upwards. By subsequent orders dated 18 Nov. 1649 and 27 June 1650 the committee directed that one-fifth of the profits of this rectory should be paid to his wife Elizabeth and their children, provided that Goche and his said wife yielded all due obedience to this sequestration. (*Add. MSS.* 15669, pp. 172, 410, and 15670, p. 234.) Walker states that Goche was sequestered for not taking the covenant and adds that he never received the aforementioned allowance. He died before the Restoration.

[13] **Alsop**. Probably M.A. 1630 Trin. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Appointed by the committee for plundered ministers, described as a godly and orthodox divine (*Add. MS.* 15669, p. 172), signed the testimony in 1648.

[14] **Langley**. Mentioned as rector here in the will of John Aldton of Bury, pr. in London 27 July 1650, and in the return of 1651-2. Held this rectory with the vicarage of Ellistown, q.v., and became minister at Lichfield, q.v., in 1657.

[15] **Spencer**. Fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.A. 1640-50, M.A. 1653 (Venn). Mentioned as rector in 1655 (Plant's Clergy, p. 55), formally admitted as rector on 11 Feb. 1656-9 by the commissioners on the nomination of the master and fellows of his college (*Lamb. MS.* 999, p. 101), paid subsidy of 14 in Jan. 1661-2, reinstituted by bishop 24 June 1662.

[16] **Bratell**, M.A. 1650, fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., D.D. 1681 (Venn).

[17] **Pynton** (Plynton). Paid a subsidy of 6s. 8d. in 1671 (19-22). One Thos. Pynton matriculated 1643 Gonv. Hall, Camb. (Venn). See **Norton Canes**.

[18] **Turner.** *See* **Caverswall.**

[19] **Carleton.** No preacher, no degree, salary 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* (1602 *return*), 10*l.* (1604 *return*). Acted as resident curate here.

[20] **Holmes.** Probably M.A. 1616 Magd. Hall, Ox., and became rector of Kirk Langley in 1621 (*Foster*).

[21] **Bromsgrove.** *See* **Abbots Bromley.**

[22] **Turner.** *See* **Grindon.**

[23] **Eppensor.** Described as priest and minister in parish register.

CHEBSEY

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D. The rectory was approp. to the dean and chapter of Lichfield, but the parish was not subject to their peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 pair of red silk vestments; 1 pair of green silk vestments; 4 altar cloths; 2 towels; 1 veil for Lent; 2 board cloths; 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 silver pyx; 1 gilt maslyn cross; 2 great bells (*s*); 1 hand bell; 2 sacring bells; 1 sanctus bell; 4 maslyn candlesticks; 1 corporal with case; 1 blue Bruges satin cope; 1 green silk streamer.

Ch. wds.: Robt Nowell & John Jobber.

Patron: 1553-73, Sir Edw Littleton from the dean.

VICARS

occ 1533	w.p. 10 May 1558	John Hall [1]
4 Ap. 1558		Wm Poole [2]
	w.p. 25 July 1571	Nich Lynacers
15 Oct. 1571	ob. 1573	Sampson Marrall
20 May 1573	w.p. 29 July 1617	Hum Whitmore [3]
22 Sep. 1617	occ. 1620	Rich Croxton
	seq. 1646	Thos Mason M.A. [4]
1 Oct. 1646	occ. 1650	Sampson Newton M.A. [5]
	(eject. 1661	— Woolrich)? [6]
1661 rest.	occ. 1676	Thos Mason M.A. [4]

NOTES

[1] **Hall.** Probably preb. of Mordhall, Gnosall, 1533-48.

[2] **Poole.** Perhaps had been chaplain at Kinver in 1548.

[3] **Whitmore.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris bene incumbens.

[19] **Turner.** See **Caverswall.**

[20] **Carleton.** No preacher, no degree, salary £36. 8d. (1601 return), £60 (1604 return). Acted as resident curate here.

[21] **Holmes.** Probably M.A. 1616 Magd. Hall, Ox., and became rector of Kirk Langley in 1621 (Fasti).

[22] **Bromsgrove.** See **Abbots Bromley.**

[23] **Turner.** See **Cridon.**

[24] **Eppensor.** Described as priest and minister in parish register.

CHERSEY

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Ch. wds.: Robt Novell & John Jobber.

Patron: 1553-73, Sir Edw Littleton from the dean.

VICARS

occ 1533	w.p. 10 May 1558	John Hall[1]
4 Ap. 1558		Wm Poole[2]
	w.p. 25 July 1571	Nich Lymacers
15 Oct. 1571	ob. 1573	Sampson Marrall
20 May 1573	w.p. 29 July 1573	Hum Whitmore[3]
22 Sep. 1573	occ. 1620	Rich Croxton
	sep. 1646	Thos Mason M.A.[4]
1 Oct. 1646	occ. 1650	Sampson Newton M.A.[4]
	(eject. 1660	— Woolrich)?[4]
1661 rest.	occ. 1676	Thos Mason M.A.[4]

NOTES

[1] **Hall.** Probably preb. of Mordhall, Cnossall, 1533-48.
[2] **Poole.** Perhaps had been chaplain at Kinver in 1548.
[3] **Whitmore.** Scholaris rumis et in sacris litteris bene incumbens.

No degree, no preacher (1602-4 *returns*), very famous for his skill in gaming and specially in bowling (1604 *return*). Ordained by Thos Bentham.

[4] **Mason.** Succeeded Croxton as vicar and married his daughter (*Gregory*). On 23 June 1646 his parishioners (*see note* 6) exhibited articles against him to the committee for plundered ministers. After several adjournments of the case the committee decided on 1 Oct. 1646 that he was " a comon frequenter of alehouses, as well on the Lords daies as other daies and a comon drunkard " and sequestered the vicarage from him, though he did not submit and deliver up the vicarage until 10 Dec. 1646. Eight days later his wife Mary petitioned for and obtained—subject to his submission—one-fifth part of the living for the maintenance of herself and her children. Mason, however, was still recalcitrant and on 16 Jan. 1646-7 the committee of parliament for Staffordshire was ordered to remove him and " all others " from the vicarage and to assist Mr Newton to take possession thereof. (*Add. MS.* 15670, pp. 240, 362, 408; *Bod. MS.* 324, pp. 85, 86, 131.) During the Commonwealth he acted as curate of the neighbouring villages of Ellenhall and Ronton. He was restored to this vicarage before Jan. 1661-2, when he paid a subsidy of 10*s.* 0*d.* and was still here in 1676, when his daughter Elizabeth married the rector of Ashley. Walker states that Mason was allowed 10*l.* p.a. as fifths for 14 years. Three of this name took their M.A.'s at Camb. between 1624 and 1627 (*Venn*).

[5] **Newton.** M.A. 1625 Merton Coll. Ox., commoner from co. Staff. (*Foster*). Appointed vicar by the committee for plundered ministers on 1 Oct. 1646, who described him as a godly and orthodox divine and granted him an augmentation of 40*l.* p.a. from this rectory, which had been sequestered from Dr Littleton, delinquent, farmer thereof under the dean and chapter of Lichfield, as the vicarage was but worth 50*l.* p.a. (*Bod. MSS.* 323, p. 359; 324, pp. 85, 86, 221), or 60*l.* p.a. (*Roy. Comp.*, s. 2, vol. XIV, pp. 273, 261). This augmentation was paid up to Oct. 1650. (*Lamb. MS.* 979, p. 358; cf. *Bod. MS.* 326, p. 297; *Shaw*, II, p. 543.) Signed the testimony in 1648 and is said to have been ejected from here for praying for the King's children. Became rector of Weston-under-Lizard, whence ejected in 1662 for non-conformity. (*Calamy*, III, 245; *Foster*; *S. H. C.*, II, n.s., p. 302.)

[6] **Woolrich.** A farmer in this parish of this name got Mason ejected and hired itinerant preachers to supply the cure, having for his labour the profits of the glebe worth 40*l.* p.a., the small tithes and an augmentation of 30*l.* (*Walker*). Circa 1659 this augmentation is given as 35*l.* (*Lamb. MS.* 994, p. 142). Merely mentioned as ejected by Calamy.

No degree, no preacher (1662-4 refusal), very famous for his skill in gaming and specially in bowling (1664 refusal). Ordained by Thos Beaulham.

4 **Mason.** Succeeded Creston as vicar and married his daughter (Gregory). On 23 June 1646 his parishioners (see note b) exhibited articles against him to the committee for plundered ministers. After several adjournments of the case the committee decided on 1 Oct. 1649 that he was "a common frequenter of alehouses, as well on the Lords days as other dayes and a common drunkard" and sequestered the vicarage from him, though he did not submit and deliver up the vicarage until 10 Dec. 1649. Eight days later his wife Mary petitioned for and obtained—subject to his submission—one fifth part of the living for the maintenance of herself and her children. Mason, however, was still resident and on 16 Jan. 1649-50 the committee of parliament for Sussex were ordered to remove him and "all others" from the vicarage and to assist Mr Newton to take possession thereof. (*Add. MS.* 15670, pp. 240, 292, 408; *Rel. MS.* 324, pp. 65, 80, 124.) During the Commonwealth he acted as curate of the neighbouring villages of Ellenhall and Ranton. He was restored to this vicarage before Jan. 1661-2; when he paid a subsidy of 10s. 0d. and was still there in 1676, when his daughter Elizabeth married the rector of Ashley. Walker states that Mason was allowed 10l. p.a. as fellow for 14 years. Three of this name took their M.A.'s at Camb. between 1624 and 1627 (Venn).

5 **Newton.** M.A. 1625 Merton Coll. Ox., commoner from co. Staff. (Foster). Appointed vicar by the committee for plundered ministers on 1 Oct. 1649, who described him as a godly and orthodox divine and granted him an augmentation of 40l. p.a. from this rectory, which had been sequestered from Dr Littleton, delinquent, farmer thereof under the dean and chapter of Lichfield, as the vicarage was but worth 50l. p.a. (*Add. MSS.* 323, p. 350; 324, pp. 85, 86, 221), or 60l. p.a. (*Rep. Comm.*, s. 2, vol. XIX, pp. 272, 276). This augmentation was paid up to Oct. 1650. (*Admon. Acc.* 1679, p. 358; cf. *Add. MS.* 326, p. 209; *Shaw*, II, p. 543.) Signed the testimony in 1648 and is said to have been ejected from here for praying for the King's children. Become rector of Weston-under-Lizard, whence ejected in 1662 for non-conformity. (*Calamy*, II, 24; *Foster*; S. H. C., II, n.s., p. 202.)

6 **Woolrich.** A farmer in this parish of this name yet Mason ejected and hired itinerant preachers to supply the cure, having for his labour the profits of the glebe worth 40l. p.a., the small tithes and an augmentation of 30l. (*Walker*). Circa 1650 this augmentation is given as 35l. (*Lamb. MS.* 904, p. 124). Merely mentioned as ejected by Calamy.

CHECKLEY

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D. **Ch. Orn.,** 8 May 1553: 5 vestments, 1 of old velvet, 1 of white silk, & 3 old ones; 4 albes; 2 amices; 3 stoles; 2 corporals with cases; 2 brass crosses; 4 great bells (*s*); 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell; 2 copes, 1 of blue Bruges satin, 1 of ——; 4 old altar cloths. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Beache & Wm Bokewalde.

In 1604 the rectory was impropriate and worth 6*l*.

Patrons: 1560 Wm Yonge, 1620 John Hollins, 1645 Rich Whitehall, 1662 John Whitehall.

RECTORS

occ. 1520	depriv. 1559	Anthony Draycott LL.D.[1]
	Xmas 1559	No rector[2]
2 Sep. 1560	ob. 1579	Thos Bolte B.D.[3]
26 Feb. 1579-8 off.	occ. 1593	Hen Stamford[4]
1610	res. 8 June 1620	John Weston D.C.L.[5]
14 June 1620	ob. 2 Mar. 1644-5	James Whitehall M.A.[6]
?occ. July-Aug. 1645		Wm Langley M.A.[7]
20 Nov. 1645 ff.	bur. 14 Sep. 1659	John Tayler M.A.?[8]
24 July 1662	occ. 1666	Nathaniel Tayler M.A.?[9]
1703		Geo Roades M.A.[10]

CURATES

	occ. 1520-35	Thos Burne[11]
	occ. 1568-71	John Smallshawe[12]
	occ. 1580	Wm Fletcher[13]
	occ. 1586	Hen Rathbone[14]
occ. 1593	w.p. 8 Ap. 1608	John Rathbone[15]
	occ. 1620	Gilbert Gallimore[16]

NOTES

[1] **Draycott.** Formerly principal of White Hall, Oxon., D.D. 1522, held many preferments, amongst others the rectories of Draycott-in-the-moors and Grindon, Staffs., of Hitchin and Cottingham, Notts., preb. of Longdon, archd. of Stow and Huntingdon, Linc.;

CHECKLEY

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Ch. Dra., 8 May 1553: 5 vestments, 2 of old velvet, 1 of white silk, & 2 old ones; 4 albes; 2 amices; 3 stoles; 2 corporals with cases; 2 lamps crosses; 4 great bells (!); 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell; 2 copes, 1 of blue Bruges satin, 1 of ——; 4 old altar cloths.

Ch. wds.: Thos Beache & Wm Rokewalde.

In 1604 the rectory was impropriate and worth £[illegible]

Patrons: 1580 Wm Yonge, 1620 John Hollins, 1645 Rich Whitehall, 1662 John Whitehall.

RECTORS

occ. 1529	deprivd. 1559	Anthony Dryvoett LL.D.[1]
	Xmas 1559	Ne rector[2]
2 Sep. 1560-	ob. 1579	Thos Hole B.D.[2]
26 Feb. 1579-80	ff. occ. 1593	Hen Stanhowe[4]
1610	res. 8 June 1620	John Weston D.C.L.[5]
14 June 1620	ob. 2 Mar. 1644-5	James Whitehall M.A.[6]
	occ. July-Aug. 1645	Wm Langley M.A.[7]
20 Nov. 1645	ff.	
	bur. 14 Sep. 1659	John Taylor M.A.?[8]
24 July 1662	occ. 1666	Nathaniel Taylor M.A.?[8]
1703		Geo Roades M.A.[9]

CURATES

	occ. 1540-55	Thos Burne[1]
	occ. 1568-71	John Smallshawe[1]
	occ. 1580	Wm Hetcher[1]
	occ. 1580	Hen Rathbone[1]
occ. 1593	w.p. 5 Ap. 1603	John Rathbone[1]
	occ. 1620	Gilbert Gallimore[1]

NOTES

[1] Dryvoett, formerly principal of White Hall, Oxon., D.D. 1522, held many preferments, amongst others the rectories of Dryvoett-in-the-moors and Grindon, Staffs., of Hitcham and Gotthelstan, Notts., preb. of Langdon, archd. of Stow and Huntingdon, Linc.;

chancellor to the bps of Lincoln and Lichfield, in which offices he acted with the greatest cruelty towards the protestants. Deprived of all his preferments in 1560 and thrown into the Fleet prison. Died 20 Jan. 1570-1. (*D. N. B.*; *S. H. C.*, 1912, p. 14.)

[2] *Subsidy* 19-507.

[3] **Bolte.** *See* **Church Eaton**; *also S. H. C.*, IX, n.s., p. 59, and *S. H. C.*, 1912, p. 76.

[4] **Stamford.** Did not appear for examination in 1593, probably rector of Handsworth 1604-8?

[5] **Weston.** *See* **Clifton Campville.**

[6] **Whitehall.** Born at Sharpcliffe, M.A. 1604 Ch. Ch. Ox. (*Foster*). Married Eliz. dau. of John Hollins of Swerford, Ox. (*Simms*), w.p. 8 Nov. 1645. (*P. C. C.* 140, *Rivers.*)

[7] **Langley.** *See* **Ellastone** and **Lichfield.** The committee for plundered ministers appointed him rector here on 10 July 1645, but next month it cancelled this appointment on finding that the patron was not a delinquent as had been supposed. (*Add. MS.* 15669, pp. 211, 216, 276, 289.)

[8] **Tayler** (John). Appointed by Rich Whitehall, brother of the late incumbent, had some difficulty in obtaining possession of the rectory (*see last note*) though an energetic puritan, signed the testimony in 1648, frequently certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry (*Lamb. MSS*, 999 frequently, and 996, p. 138), and in 1654 was appointed an assistant to the commissioners for the removal of scandalous ministers. Very probably he was a graduate (*see Foster* and *Venn*).

[9] **Tayler** (Nath). Perhaps B.A. 1657, M.A. 1662 Cantab. (*Venn*), paid subsidy of 2*l.* in Jan. 1661-2.

[10] **Roades.** Also rector of Blithfield 1676-1713.

[11] **Burne.** *See* **Blymhill.**

[12] **Smallshawe.** Paid subsidies of 6*s.* 8*d.* as curate in 1568, 1569 and 1571 (19-516, 519, 523).

[13] **Fletcher.** Paid the same in 1580 (19-535). Possibly identical with a stipendiary at Tettenhall in 1548.

[14] **Rathbone** (Hen). Paid the same in 1586 (19-533) unless a clerical error has been made and "Henry" inadvertently written instead of "John." *See next note.*

[15] **Rathbone** (John). Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris bene exercitatus. No preacher, no degree, salary 13*l.* (1602 *return*). A preacher, practitioner in physic but seldom in divinity, salary 10*l.* (1604 *return*). Ordained c. 1584 by Wm Overton. *See last note.*

[16] **Gallimore.** *See* **Colwich.**

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[12] **Whitehall.** Born at Sharpcliffe, M.A. 1604 Ch. Ch. Ox. (Foster). Married Elis. dau. of John Hollins of Swerford, Ox. (Simms), w.p. 8 Nov. 1615. (P. C.-C. 120, Rivers.)

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[15] **Tayler** (Nath). Perhaps B.A. 1657, M.A. 1662 (Cantab.) (Venn), paid subsidy of 2*l.* in Jan. 1661-2.

[16] **Roades.** Also rector of Blithfield 1670-1713.

[17] **Burne.** See **Blymhill.**

[18] **Smallshawe.** Paid subsidies of 6*s.* 8*d.* as curate in 1598, 1599 and 1571 (19-576, 576, 523).

[19] **Fletcher.** Paid the same in 1580 (19-535). Possibly identical with a stipendiary at Tettenhall in 1548.

[20] **Rathbone** (Hen). Paid the same in 1580 (19-533) unless a clerical error has been made and "Henry" inadvertently written instead of "John." See next note.

[21] **Rathbone** (John). Scholaris *mundis et in sanis litteris* bene exercitatus. No preacher, no degree, salary 12*l.* (1602 return). A preacher, practitioner in physic but seldom in divinity, salary 10*l.* (1604 return). Ordained c. 1584 by Wm Overton. See last note.

[22] **Gallimore.** See **Colwich.**

CHEDDLETON

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution, in Leek D. Originally an independent rectory,[1] it became a chapel of ease to Leek (q.v.) and is so described until 1553 (*n*). In 1604 it is called a church annexed to Leek.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments with albes, amices, stoles & fans, 1 of blue silk, 1 of yellow & red velvet; 2 copes, 1 of green velvet, 1 of silk; 1 corporal; 2 lead cruets; 2 or 3 great bells (*s*); 3 sacring bells; 3 altar cloths; 1 maslyn cross. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Ferin & Raff Fenton.

CURATES

occ. 1529-33	Rich Ford[2]
occ. 1534-9	John Godwyn[3]
occ. 1559	a curate[4]
occ. 1567	Edmund Holme[5]
occ. 1593	Thos Mumford[6]
occ. 1602	Ralph Turner[7]
occ. 1625	Robt Wood[8]
occ. 1666	John Fether?
occ. 1676-96	Joshua Brindley

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in May 1548 that divers persons had given 6 kine, worth 64*s.*, and 19 sheep, worth 65*s.* 4*d.*, to be let out for hire and the income therefrom to be employed in finding a priest to sing (mass) for ever "in the parish church" (*sic*) here and in church repair. All the income had been employed in finding this priest "within 5 years before the 4th Nov." (1547) (*b*). Certified in June 1549 that there were certain ornaments belonging to this service valued at 1*s.* 10*d.* and that the stock of cattle had been sold and was represented by 53*s.* 6*d.* in ready money (*e*). Discovered in Ap. 1553 that there were 3 bells in this "chappell," 1 chalice and 1 "suyte of ornaments" (*n*). Certified on 8 May 1553 that the commissioners had sold 6 kine and 49 (*sic*) sheep about 4 years previously.[9]

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533	Thos Bradshaw[10]

NOTES

[1] *S. H. C.*, VI, pt. 1, pp. 191, 195, 199.

[2] **Ford.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533. *See S. H. C.*, 1912, p. 30.

[3] **Godwyn.** *See* **Ilam.** Mentioned in will of Thurstan Bradshaw, pr. 1534, and by Hutchinson in 1539.

[4] **Curate.** Payment of a salary of 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to an unnamed curate here by the Exchequer is regularly mentioned in the yearly accounts from 1559 onwards. (*Ministers' Accounts, Eliz.* 2015 *et seq.*)

[5] **Holme.** Mentioned as legatee in will of Edw Bate, pr. 1567. Perhaps subscribed in 1559 as Edmund Hoker. The name is very badly written and is uncertain.

[6] **Mumford.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris bene exercitatus, ordained 15 Dec. 1583 by Wm Overton.

[7] **Turner.** No preacher, no degree, salary 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* (1602 *return*). Very ignorant, salary 4*l.* or 5*l.* (1604 *return*). *See* **Caverswall.**

[8] **Wood.** *See* **Burslem Chapel.**

[9] *Inventory of* 1553.

[10] **Bradshaw.** *See* **Hamstall Ridware.**

CHURCH EATON

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 2 pewter cruets; 1 dornick cope; 1 dornick vestment; 2 dornick albes & amices; 1 surplice; 2 old altar cloths; 1 corporal with silk case; 4 bells; 1 sanctus bell. Mem.: On 1 Oct. 1550 some unknown thieves broke into the church and stole the following articles, viz.: 1 partly gilt silver chalice; 1 latten pyx; 1 old maslyn censer; 1 dornick cope; 3 dornick vestments, with albes, amices, fans & stoles for same; 1 old altar cloth; 1 corporal case; 1 maslyn cross with russet sarcenet cloth; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 1 small hand bell with other sacring bells.

In 1604 there were some recusants here.

See *S. H. C.*, IV, pt. ii, p. 32 *et seq.*, for the names of the earlier and later rectors and the patrons.

RECTORS

13 Ap. 1532	res. Dec. 1536	Thos Saull B.A. [1]
2 Mar. 1536-7	ob. 1549	John ap Harry M.A. [2]
4 June 1549 ff.	ob. 1579	Thos Bolt B.D. [3]
28 May 1579 ff.		Thos Austen M.A.? [4]

NOTES

[1] S. R. C., vi, pt. i, pp. 101, 105, 109.

[2] **Ford.** Paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1543. See S. R. C., vol. 9, p. 30.

[3] **Godwyn.** See **Ham.** Mentioned in will of Thomas Bradshaw, pr. 1534, and by Hutchinson in 1539.

[4] **Curate.** Payment of a salary of 5l. 6s. 8d. to an unnamed curate here by the Exchequer is regularly mentioned in the yearly accounts from 1559 onwards. (Ministers' Accounts, Eliz. 20/5 et seq.)

[5] **Holme.** Mentioned as legatee in will of Edw Bate, pr. 1509. Perhaps subscribed in 1559 as Edmund Holcot. The name is very badly written and is uncertain.

[6] **Mumford.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris bene exercitatus, ordained 15 Dec. 1583 by Wm Overton.

[7] **Turner.** No preacher, no degree, salary 5l. 6s. 8d. (1601 return). Very ignorant, salary 4l. or 5l. (1604 return). See **Caverswall.**

[8] **Wood.** See **Burslem Chapel.**

[9] *Inventory of 1533.*

[10] **Bradshaw.** See **Hamstall Ridware.**

CHURCH EATON

In 1303 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 2 pewter crucis; 1 dornick cope; 1 dornick vestment; 2 dornick albes & amices; 1 surplice; 2 old altar cloths; 1 corporal with silk case; 4 bells; 1 sanctus bell. Mem.: On 1 Oct. 1550 some unknown thieves broke into the church and stole the following articles, viz.: 1 parcly gilt silver chalice; 1 latten pyx; 1 old masslyn censer; 1 dornick cope; 3 dornick vestments, with albes, amices, fanes & stoles for same; 1 old altar cloth; 1 corporal case; 1 masslyn cross with russet sarcenet cloth; 2 masslyn candlesticks; 1 small hand bell with other sanctus bells.

In 1004 there were some recusants here.

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RECTORS

13 Ap. 1532	res. Dec. 1536	Thos Sauill B.A.[1]
2 Mar. 1536/7	ob. 1540	John ap Harry M.A.[2]
4 June 1540 ff.	ob. 1579	Thos Bolt B.D.[3]
28 May 1579 ff.		Thos Austen M.A.[4]

3 Dec. 1579		Wm Jennings [5]
28 Aug. 1580		Thos Austen M.A.? [4]
30 June 1584	w.p. 11 June 1642	Wm Jennings [5]
2 June 1642 ff.	ob. c. 1663-4	Wm Jennings B.A ? [6]
27 Ap. 1664		Rich Davies M.A.
20 Jan. 1674-5	occ. 1697	Walter Jennings M.A. [7]

CURATES

occ. 1533	Wm Lovat
?occ. 1553	John Russell [8]
?occ. 1553	John Bushell [9]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in June 1549 that sundry persons then unknown had given 1 messuage, 1 cottage, 3 burgages, ½ burgage, 1 millhouse with horse mill therein and certain lands in Church Eaton and Wood Eaton let to 7 persons—named [10]—for a yearly net rent of 37*s.* 6*d.*; that this property was managed by the parishioners who had found a stipendiary priest to sing (mass) and do other services in the church; that the last stipendiary priest had taught the children of the parish and had departed from this service about 4 years previously (*e*).

Discovered in 1552 that this property was let to Wm James and others for a clear yearly rent of 33*s.* (*h, l*). The following "discovery" was made in Apr. 1553: "Willm James and Thomas Jobber sworne and examyned say apon theyr othes that ther ys a mease and lands lieng in Eyton in the holdyng of Willm James of the yerely rent of x*s*, one tent. ther in the holdyng of Willm Asteley of the yerely rent of iii*s* iiii*d*, one cotage ther in the holdyng of Willm Tyrrye of the yerely rent of xvi*d*, one cotage ther in the holdyng of Mylleson Lonne wedowe of the yerely rent of xx*d*, one other cotage ther in the holdyng of Margerie Pierson of the yerely rent of ii*s* and one horse myln ther in the holdyng of John Blake of the yerely rent of vi*s* viii*d* belongyng to a stipendarie priest ther and say that the rents of the sayd lands have ben ever payd to the churchewardeyns for the tyme being to the use of the seyd priest untyll iii yeres past or therabouts" (*n*).

A return dated 10 July 1569 states that "Our ladies land" here was let to Wm Astley, John James and others for a clear

3 Dec. 1570		Wm Jennings*
26 Aug. 1580		Thos Aston M.A.*
20 June 1584	w.p. 11 June 1642	Wm Jennings*
3 June 1642	ob. c. 1663-4	Wm Jennings B.A.*
27 Ap. 1664		Rich Davies M.A.
20 Jan. 1674-5	occ 1697	Walter Jennings M.A.*

CURATES

occ. 1533	Wm Lovat
2 occ. 1553	John Russell*
2 occ. 1553	John Bunbell*

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

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Discovered in 1553 that this property was let to Wm James and others for a clear yearly rent of 32s. (b). The following "discovery" was made in Apr. 1553: "William James and Thomas Jobber sworne and examyned say upon their oties that ther ys a messe and lands lyeng in Eyton in the holdyng of William James of the yerely rent of xs, one tent, ther in the holdyng of William Astelye of the yerely rent of iiis iiijd, one cotage ther in the holdyng of William Tyrrye of the yerely rent of xvjd, one cotage ther in the holdyng of Mylleson Loone widowe of the yerely rent of xxd, one other cotage ther in the holdyng of Margyrie Pierson of the yerely rent of iis and one horse mylln ther in the holdyng of John Blake of the yerely rent of vis viijd belongyng to a stipendiare priest ther and say that the rents of the sayd lands have ben ever payd to the churchewardeyns for the tyme being to the use of the seyd priest untyll iii yeres past or thereabouts" (n).

A return dated 10 July 1569 states that "Our ladies land" here was let to Wm Astley, John James and others for a clear

yearly rent of 53*s.* 4*d.* and that these lands had belonged to th Service of B. Mary in this church.[11]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-9	Thos Leke[12]
occ. 1533	Hum Asteley[13]
left c. 1545	Wm Stiche[14]

NOTES

[1] **Saull,** Sawle, Sall. One of this name master of S. Nicholas, Stafford castle, 1545-8, vicar of Penkridge from 1548 and vicar of Wednesbury 1555-8.

[2] **Ap Harry.** *See* **Blymhill.**

[3] **Bolt.** Probably B.D. 1530 Oxford (*Foster*), rector of Checkley 1560-79, Handsworth 1557-71 and Rolleston 1554-79; preb. of Statfold 1547-79 and (Blurton, Stafford, 1545-8)?, archd. of Salop 1562-79, etc. The description of him as parson of "Handisacre" in *S. H. C.*, IX, n.s., p. 55, is evidently a mistake for Handsworth (*ibid.* p. 56). Subscribed in 1559. If identical with the preb. of Blurton, he was appointed vicar of Penkridge in 1548.

[4] **Austen.** Probably M.A. 1574 Queens' Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Paid first fruits for this rectory on 28 May 1579, and instituted on 21 Oct. 1579. In consequence of a dispute about the right of presentation (*S. H. C.*, IV, pt. ii, p. 36) the Crown appointed Jennings on 3 Dec. 1579, but Austen was restored by the Privy Council on 28 Aug. 1580. Probably vicar of Milwich 1586-89?. Jennings and he are both mentioned in the will of Thos Adams made in 1595. (*S. H. C.*, 1910, pp. 256, 257.)

[5] **Jennings** (sen.). Scholaris ruralis et mediocriter doctus. A preacher, rectory worth 59*l.* p.a. net (1604 *return*). Ordained by Wm, bp of Chester, illegally presented by the Crown on 3 Dec. 1579, legally on 30 June 1584 (*Lans. MS.* 443), instituted 26 Feb. 1584-5, probably took temporary charge of Gnosall in 1613.

[6] **Jennings** (jun.). Probably B.A. 1634 Oriel Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). Signed the testimony in 1648, certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1655 (*Lamb. MS.* 996, p. 218), and paid a subsidy of 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* in 1661.

[7] **Jennings** (Walter). Son of the last vicar. M.A. 1674 Brasenose Coll. Ox. (*Foster*).

[8] **Russell.** Called "my curate" when left a legacy by Wm James of Wood Eaton in 1553. *See* **Colwich.**

[9] **Bushell.** Witness to the aforementioned will and described as "clerk."

yearly rent of 53s. 4d. and that these lands had belonged to th
Service of B. Mary in this church.[11]

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occ. 1533-9	Thos Lely[12]
occ. 1533	Hum Astelay[13]
left c. 1545	Wm Stube[14]

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[2] Ap Harry. See Rhynhill.

[3] Bell. Probably B.D. 1530 Oxford (Foster), rector of Checkley 1560-70, Handsworth 1559-72 and Rollestone 1564-70; preb. of Stratfold 1567-70 and (Hilarion) Stafford, 1545-8[?], archd. at Salop 1562-70, etc. The description of him as parson of "Handsacre" in S. R. C., ix, n.s., p. 55, is evidently a mistake for Handsworth (ibid. p. 56). Subscribed in 1559. If identical with the preb. of Hilarion, he was appointed vicar of Penkridge in 1548.

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[5] Jennings (sen.). Scholaris rusticus et mediocriter doctus. A preacher, rectory worth 50l. p.a. net (1604 survey). Ordained by Wm, bp of Chester, illegally presented by the Crown on 3 Dec. 1570, legally on 30 June 1584 (Lans. MS. 433), instituted 20 Feb. 1584-5, probably took temporary charge of Cannock in 1613.

[6] Jennings (jun.). Probably B.A. 1594 Oriel Coll. Ox. (Foster). Signed the testimony in 1618, certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1655 (Lans. MS. 990, p. 218), and paid a subsidy of 1l. 10s. od. in 1661.

[7] Jennings (Walter). Son of the last vicar. M.A. 1624 Brasenose Coll. Ox. (Foster).

[8] Russell. Called "my curate" when left a legacy by Wm James of Wood Eaton in 1533. See Colwich.

[9] Bunbell. Witness to the aforementioned will and described as "clerk."

[10] Six are those named in 1553, the seventh was Anthony Harecourt.

[11] *Leases*, Roll 1, No. 52.

[12] **Leke**. Mentioned with Asteley as chaplain here in 1533, but which was incumbent of this service is uncertain. A priest named Syke? Lyke? was witness to will of Thos James of Little Onn in 1539. *See* **Weston-under-Lizard.**

[13] **Asteley.** *See note* 12.

[14] **Stiche.** Died at Haughton, w.p. 17 June 1556.

CLENT

Clent is not mentioned in the returns of 1563 or 1593, as it was in the Kidderminster D., Worcester diocese, although situated then within the county of Stafford. It had a chapel of ease at Rowley Regis and had formerly been approp. to the Abbot of Halesowen.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 corporal with case; 1 altar cloth; 2 brazen candlesticks; 2 pewter cruets; 2 towels; 1 pax; 1 brass censer; 1 Bruges satin cope; 3 pair of vestments, 1 of crewell, 1 of white camlet, 1 of dunish colour; 1 brass water pot; 1 chest; 4 bells (*s*), for one of which the parish owes 10*l*. **Ch. wds.:** Rich Walden & Thos Pexye.

VICARS[1]

8 Oct. 1549		Thos Gaunt
12 Mar. 1555-6		Roger Chaunce
12 Jan. 1556-7	bur. 20 Oct. 1597	Adam Javon[12]
15 Feb. 1597-8	res. 1598	Roger Ravenscroft M.A.[2]
(7 Nov. 1598		Robt Cleye)?[3]
7 May 1610		Thos Broade M.A.?[4]
18 May 1612	occ. 1626	Wm Sherborne[5]
10 Feb. 1625-6	occ. 1644	John Wood B.A.[6]
Jan. 1648-9	occ. 1653	Andrew Tristram[7]
occ. 1655?	ejec. 1662	Thos. Baldwin M.A.?[8]
occ. 1662	bur. 3 Feb. 1668-9	Walter Wheeler[9]
2 Mar. 1668-9	ob. 1 Jan. 1726-7	Thos Walker M.A.[10]

ROWLEY REGIS CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 return.

Ch. Orn., 15 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 old dun

[10] Six are those named in 1515, the seventh was Anthony Harcourt.

[11] Leases, Roll 1, No. 52.

[12] Leke. Mentioned with Astley as chaplain here in 1533, but which was incumbent of this service is uncertain. A priest named Sykes (Lyke) was witness to will of Thos James of Little Oun in 1539. See Weston-under-Lizard.

[13] Astley. See note 12.

[14] Stiche. Died at Haughton, w.p. 17 June 1549.

CLENT

Clent is not mentioned in the returns of 1504 or 1508, as it was in the Kidderminster D., Worcester diocese, although situated then within the county of Stafford. It had a chapel of ease at Rowley Regis and had formerly been appropr. to the Abbot of Halesowen.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 corporal with case; 1 altar cloth; 2 brazen candlesticks; 2 pewter cruets; 2 towels; 1 pax; 1 brass censer; 1 fringes satin cope; 3 pair of vestments, 1 of crewell, 1 of white camlet, 1 of dunish colour; 1 brass water pot; 1 chest; 4 bells (4), for one of which the parish owes 10l. Ch. wds.: Rich. Walden & Thos Paxye.

VICARS[1]

8 Oct. 1540		Thos Gaunt.
12 Mar. 1555-6		Roger Chaunce
12 Jan. 1556-7	Inst. 20 Oct. 1557	Adam Javon[2]
15 Feb. 1559-60	res. 1568	Roger Ravenscroft M.A.[3]
(7 Nov. 1568		Robt Clewyt?[4]
7 May 1610		Thos Broade M.A.?[5]
18 May 1612	occ. 1626	Wm Sherborne[6]
12 Feb. 1623-6	occ. 1641	John Wood B.A.[7]
Jan. 1645-9	occ. 1651	Andrew Tristram[8]
occ. 1652?	occ. 1662	Thos Baldwin M.A.?[9]
occ. 1662	bur. 3 Feb. 1668-9	Walter Wheeler[10]
2 Mar. 1668-9	ob. 1/Jan. 1710-7	Thos Walter M.A.[11]

ROWLEY REGIS CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 return.

Ch. Orn., 15 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 old dun

silk vestment; 1 blue velvet cope; 2 green silk copes; 1 gilt brass cross; 4 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** John Turle & Lawrence Hypkys.

The wardens and parishioners had sold 2 brazen candlesticks for 8*d*., which they had spent in covering the church with shingle.

In two other returns of about this date, Rowley is described as being in Whittington parish (*h, m*), possibly because it was near Whittington in Kinver. In addition to the aforenamed ornaments there was a cow, apparently belonging to a stipendiary priest here (*n*).

CURATES

	(bur. 20 Ap. 1541	Thos Moorcroft)? [11]
	(bur. 27 Nov. 1548	Thos Hanks)? [11]
	occ. 1553	Adam Javon [12]
(7 Nov. 1598	bur. 23 Ap. 1610	Chas Dudson)? [13]
occ. 1651-2	bur. 12 Mar. 1654-5	Wm Dobbes [14]
20 Mar. 1654-5	res. 1657?	Joseph Rocke [15]
occ. 1658	eject. 1662	Wm Turton M.A. [16]
occ. 1663-5		Sares Boylston B.A. [17]
1665		Josias Simcox B.A. [18]

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[2] **Ravenscroft.** M.A. 1594 New Coll. Ox., became canon of Chester in 1599 and rector of Dodleston, Ches., in 1616 (*Foster*).

[3] **Cleye.** Occurs 1600, perhaps died c. 1609 (*Amphett*). If here in 1604, no preacher (1604 *return*). Auden gives Dudson—*see note* 13—as vicar here 1598-1610.

[4] **Broade.** Perhaps M.A. 1602 S. Alban Hall, Ox., became rector of Rendcombe, Glos., c. 1611 (*Foster*).

[5] **Sherborne.** Occurs 1626 (*Amphett*). Perhaps became curate of Stowe by Chartley, q.v. One of this name born 1595, matric. 1612

silk vestment; 1 blue velvet cope; 2 green silk copes; 1 gilt brass cross; 4 bells (5). Ch. wds.: John Tude & Lawrence Hypkys.

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	occ. 1553	Adam Javon [1]
(? Nov. 1558	bur. 23 Ap. 1610	Chas Dudson)? [1]
	occ. 1631-2 bur. 12 Mar. 1654-5	Wm Dobbes [1]
20 Mar. 1654-5	res. 1682?	Joseph Rocke [1]
occ. 1658	eject. 1662	Wm Turton M.A. [1]
occ. 1663-5		Sares Royleton B.A. [1]
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[4] Broade. Perhaps M.A. 1602 S. Alban Hall, Ox., became rector of Rendcombe, Glos., c. 1611 (Foster).

[5] Sherborne. Occurs 1626 (Amphlett). Perhaps became curate of Stowe by Chartley, q.v. One of this name born 1595, matric. 1612

S. John's Coll. Ox., M.A. 1619, D.D. 1643, rector of Talbenny, Pemb., 1625, preb. of Curborough 1630-7, chancellor of Llandaff, etc. (*Simms*, etc.) If this vicar be identical with the chancellor, he must have been appointed while a minor.

[6] **Wood.** B.A. New Coll. Ox. (*Auden*). Occurs 1644 (*Amphett*).

[7] **Tristram.** Perhaps matric. 1647 at Camb. (*Venn*). Some uncertainty as to the length of his vicariate. Occurs Jan. 1649, resigned 1657 (*Amphett*). In a list of the members of the Worcestershire Association he occurs twice, first as " pastor of the church at Clent," second as " minister of Bridgnorth." (*Shaw*, II, p. 455.) Either there were two ministers of this name, or he held both these cures c. 1653-7 or—more probably—the first description refers to c. May 1653, the second to Nov. 1655 (*see next note*). Became minister of Bridgnorth, whence ejected 1662, though still living there in 1673. (*Calamy* under Bridgnorth and *Foster* under Benj Tristram.)

As minister of Clent he was granted on 14 June 1650 by the committee for plundered ministers an augmentation of 50*l.* p.a. from the impropriate rectory of Clent, sequestered from Mr Chambers, papist or recusant and delinquent, as his maintenance was but 40*l.* On 29 Nov. 1650 this order was discharged and in place thereof 50*l.* p.a. was granted to him from the impropriate rectory of Rowley Regis, sequestered from Sir Miles Hubbert. All arrears of these grants ordered to be paid him on 19 Nov. 1651. (*Bod. MSS.* 327, pp. 480, 486; 328, p. 364.) Tristram is not mentioned by Auden.

[8] **Baldwin.** Probably B.A. 1648-9, M.A. 1654 Queens' Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), son of Thos Baldwin, vicar of Chaddesley Corbett, Worc., who was ejected thence 1662 (*Calamy*). Member of the Worcestershire Association and described in their books as " minister of Clent." (*Shaw*, II, p. 455.) His name follows that of Tristram—*see last note*—when described as minister of Bridgnorth, so that the probable date is Nov. 1655. An unnamed minister of Clent was granted by the trustees c. 1655 an augmentation of 10*l.* p.a. (*Shaw*, II, p. 511.) This sum was paid to Baldwin out of some Cannock property in Dec. 1657 and out of some Colwich property in Apr. 1659. (*Lamb. MSS.* 995, p. 661; 981, p. 21.) Shortly after this date the augmentation is given as 30*l.* (*Lamb. MS.* 994, p. 142.)

One document states that Baldwin was admitted to this vicarage by the commissioners on the presentation of the Lord Protector on 10 June 1657 (*sic*) (*Lamb. MS.* 998, p. 46), another that he was nominated by the trustees on 20 May 1658 (*sic*) (*Lamb. MS.* 983, p. 103).

He certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1658 (*Lamb. MS.* 998, p. 198), was ejected c. 1662, after which he lived at Birmingham (*Calamy*). Not mentioned by Auden.

S. John's Coll. Ox., M.A. 1679, D.D. 1693, rector of Tallington, Lincs., 1693, preb. of Cumbrewith 1700-7, chancellor of Llandaff, etc. (Simms, etc.) If this vicar be identical with the chancellor, he must have been appointed while a minor.

[8] **Wood**, B.A. New Coll. Ox. (Foster). Occurs 1644 (Amphlett).

[9] **Tilsham**. Perhaps Inatic, 1697 at Camb. (Venn). Some uncertainty as to the length of his vicarage. Occurs Jan. 1699, resigned 1697 (Amphlett). In a list of the members of the Worcestershire Association he occurs twice, first as "pastor of the church at Clent," second as "minister of Bridgnorth" (Shaw, II, p. 455.) Either there were two ministers of this name, or he held both livings c. 1693-7 or—more probably—the last description refers to c. May 1695, the second to Nov. 1695 (see next note). Became minister of Bridgnorth, whence ejected 1662, though still living there in 1675. (Calamy under Bridgnorth and Foster under Ben. Tilsham.)

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[10] **Baldwin**. Probably B.A. 1648-9, M.A. 1651 Queens' Coll. Camb. (Venn), son of Miles Baldwin, vicar of Claudesley Corbett, Worc., who was ejected thence 1662 (Calamy) = Member of the Worcestershire Association and described in their books as "minister of Clent." (Shaw, II, p. 455.) His name follows that of Tilsham—an late vicar—when described as minister of Bridgnorth, so that the probable date is Nov. 1695. An unnamed minister of Clent was granted by the trustees c. 1654 an augmentation of 10*l.* p.a. (Shaw, II, p. 511.) This sum was paid to Baldwin out of some Cannock property in Dec. 1659 and out of some Colwich property in Apr. 1659. (Lamb. MS. 995, p. 160; 981, p. 21.) Shortly after this date the augmentation is given as 30*l.* (Lamb. MS. 994, p. 143.)

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He certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1658 (Lamb. MS. 998, p. 128), was ejected c. 1662 after which he lived at Birmingham (Calamy). Not mentioned by Auden.

[9] **Wheeler.** Occurs 1662, bur. 3 Feb. 1668-9 (*Amphett*). Occurs 1668 as vicar (*Auden*). Certified the number of hearths here c. 1665.

[10] **Walker.** Born 1642, B.A. 1661 Magd. Coll. Ox., ordained deacon 21 Feb. 1663-4, priest 9 July 1664, M.A. 1666 S. Alban Hall, Ox., married at Churchill 1684 Anne Pretty (*Simms*).

[11] **Moorcroft, Hanks.** Described as priests in the Rowley register.

[12] **Javon.** Mentioned in 1553 as priest at Rowley (*n*), vicar of Clent 1557-97.

[13] **Dudson.** Mentioned as vicar of Clent in 1598 by Amphett and Auden. Certainly buried at Rowley as "vicar." In the absence of contemporary evidence the compiler suggests that he was vicar or curate of Rowley and not of Clent. *See note* 3.

[14] **Dobbes.** Occurs as minister of Rowley in 1651-2 (*Return of that year*) and buried at Rowley.

[15] **Rocke.** Member of Worcestershire Association of ministers c. 1655 and described as "of Rowley." (*Shaw*, II, p. 455.) Had been minister at Enville in 1651-2. One "Josias" Rocke was appointed registrar 20 Mar. 1654-5 and acted as such till circa June 1657, probably identical with this minister (*Par. Reg.*). The trustees granted to an unnamed minister here an augmentation of 10*l.* in 1655. (*Shaw*, II, p. 511.)

[16] **Turton.** B.A. 1656-7 Brasenose Coll. Ox. (*Foster*), M.A. (*Calamy*), married 12 July 1659 Margery Grove at West Bromwich, ejected, died at Birmingham 1716 (*Calamy*). Received an augmentation of 10*l.* circa 1658-9. (*Lamb. MSS.* 981, p. 21; 994, p. 142.)

[17] **Boylston.** B.A. 1659 Wadham Coll. Ox., became rector of Aka alias Rock in 1672 (*Foster*). Came here 1663 (*Auden*). Certified the number of hearths as minister of Rowley, c. 1665.

[18] **Simcox.** B.A. New Inn Hall, Ox. Mentioned as vicar of Clent, probably a mistake for Rowley (*Auden*).

CLIFTON CAMPVILLE

In 1563 a rectory, with two chapels of ease, in Tamworth D.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments, 1 of silk & 2 of dornick; 2 copes, 1 of red velvet, 1 of dornick; 2 little candlesticks; 3 cruets; 1 maslyn cross; 4 altar cloths; 2 corporals with cases; 2 surplices; 3 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 4 towels; 4 banner cloths; 1 cross cloth. **Ch. wds.:** Humphrey Beke, Rich Wagstaff & Robt Greges.

Certain church goods had been sold for 6*l.*, of which 5*l.* had

[9] **Wheeler.** Occurs 1662, bur. 3 Feb. 1663-6 (*Chapman*). Occurs 1668 as vicar (*Archer*). Certified the number of burials here c. 1665.

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[11] **Moorcroft.** Hanks. Described as priest in the Rowley register.

[12] **Javen.** Mentioned in 1532 as priest at Rowley (*b*), vicar of Clent 1537-97.

[13] **Dudson.** Mentioned as vicar of Clent in 1595 by Amphlett and Auden. Certainly buried at Rowley as "vicar." In the absence of contemporary evidence the compiler suggests that he was vicar or curate of Rowley and not of Clent, see note 3.

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[17] **Boylston.** B.A. 1659 Wadham Coll. Ox., became rector of Alta alias Rock in 1672 (*Foster*). Came here 1683 (*Archer*). Certified the number of burials as minister of Rowley, c. 1665.

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Certain church goods had been sold for 6*l.*, of which 5*l.* had

been spent in church repairs, 1*l.* given to the poor and impotent.

Patrons: 1555 Sir John Hercye kt & Elizabeth his wife (*S. H. C.*, XII, p. 219), 1604 — Heveningham, 1664 Sir John Coventry.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	ob. 4 Sep. 1557	Humphrey Stanley [1]
c. 1558	res. 1607?	Wm Walkeden [2]
4 July 1607		John Weston D.C.L.? [3]
1612		Rich Neill D.D. [4]
12 Aug. 1614 ff.	res. 1618	John Overall D.D. [5]
18 Nov. 1619 ff.	res. 1632	Thos Morton D.D. [6]
7 Nov. 1632 ff.	seq. 1646	Hen Gilbert B.C.L.? [7]
7 Aug. 1646	eject. 1661	Geo Cross M.A. [8]
c. 1661 rest.	bur. 22 Sep. 1664	Hen Gilbert B.C.L.? [7]
11 Nov. 1664	ob. 30 June 1690	John? Selleck D.D. [9]

CURATES

occ. 1533		Laurence Maderer
	(bur. 25 Dec. 1562	Thos Gray)? [10]
occ. 1620		Joseph Leigh B.A.? [11]
occ. c. 1625-30		George Canner [21]
occ. 1648		Wm Brookes [12]
occ. c. 1650-60		Thos Ford [13]
(occ. 1661		Augustine Schoalcroft B.A.)? [14]

CHANTRY

of the Holy Trinity and the glorious Virgin Mary in the parish church

CHAPLAINS

21 June 1361	Robt de Osspring [15]
11 Oct. 1366	Rich de Twycross [15]

CHILCOTE CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease to Clifton with cure. Not mentioned in the 1553 return of church ornaments, probably because it is in Leicestershire.

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occ. 1533	Laurence Medere
(bur. 25 Dec. 1566	Thos Gray?[10]
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occ. c. 1635-30	George Cannon[12]
occ. 1648	Wm Brooke[13]
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(occ. 1661	Augustine Schoalcroft B.A.)?[15]

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occ. 1604	a curate [17]
occ. 1620	Thos Joanes [18]

HARLASTON CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease to Clifton with cure.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 bell; 1 sanctus bell. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Fawkener & Wm Heyteley. Note: 1 vestment; 1 albe; 2 candlesticks had been sold by Rich Forsett, surveyor, for 5*s.*; also that 1 chalice, 1 cope, 1 bell there had always belonged to the ancestors of Sir Geo Vernon kt; also that 1 other bell is mortgaged for 20*s.* to buy shingle for the chapel.

CURATES

occ. 1533	Wm Cowherd
occ. 1593	Thos Simson [19]
occ. 1604	"Mr" Gilbert [7]
occ. 1620	Thos Ware
occ. 1651-2	Steven Prentis
occ. 1661-6	Francis Birch [20]

NOTES

[1] **Stanley.** Also rector of Elford, died on 4 Sep. 1557 (*Stebbing Shaw*), w.p. 30 Jan. 1561-2.

[2] **Walkedyne** or Walkeden. Scholaris ruralis et praedicator publicus. A preacher (1604 *return*). Ordained by Robert, bp of Oxford (1542-5), instituted by Ralph Baine, subscribed in 1559, preb. of Whittington 1558-9, and licensed to hold two livings 25 Jan. 1560-1. (*S. P. Dom. Eliz.* vol. LXXVI.) Buried here 14 Mar. 1611-2 (*Stebbing Shaw*), so probably resigned rectory c. 1607.

[3] **Weston.** Probably M.A. 1575, D.C.L. 1590, canon 1591 of Ch. Ch. Ox., son of Robt Weston of Weeford, will pr. at Oxford 1632 (*Foster*). Perhaps rector of Stoke-on-Trent 1604-18, of Checkley 1610-20.

[4] **Neill,** Neil, or Neale. Educated at Westminster school, M.A. 1587 S. John's Coll. Camb., D.D. 1600, clerk of the closet to James I and Charles I, held numerous preferments, the most important being that of dean of Westminster 1605; bishop of Rochester 1608-10, of Coventry and Lichfield 1610-14, of Lincoln 1614-17, of Durham 1617-28, of Winchester 1628-31 and archbishop of York 1631-40. He was a privy councillor, gave several preferments to Laud and sat

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occ. 1604	a curate [15]
occ. 1620	Thos Joanes [16]

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In 1593 a chapel of ease to Clifton with cure.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 bell; 1 sanctus bell. Ch. wds.: Thos Fawkener & Wm Heyfeley. Note: a vestment; 1 alby; 2 candlesticks had been sold by Nich Dorsell, surveyor, for 5s.; also that 1 chalice, 1 cope, 1 bell there had always belonged to the ancestors of Sir Geo Vernon Kt; also that 1 other bell is mortgaged for 20s. to buy a single for the chapel.

CURATES

occ. 1533	Wm Cowbeard
occ. 1593	Thos Simson [17]
occ. 1604	Mr Gilbert [18]
occ. 1620	Thos Ware
occ. 1631-2	Steven Prentis
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regularly on the high commission and in the Star Chamber (*D. N. B.*, *Foster*).

[5] **Overall** or Overhall. Born at Hadleigh, Suffolk, M.A. 1582 Trin. Coll. Camb., D.D. 1596, regius professor of theology 1596-1607, master of Cath. Hall, Camb., 1598-1607, held numerous preferments, the most important being that of dean of S. Paul's from 1602, bishop of Cov. and Lich. 1614-18, of Norwich 1618-9, died 2 May 1619. He opposed the extreme Calvinists, was a member of the Hampton Court conference, one of the Old Testament revisers in 1618 and wrote many theological works (*D. N. B.*, *Simms*, *Venn*, etc.).

[6] **Morton.** Son of Rich Morton, mercer, of York, fellow of S. John's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1590, D.D. 1606, university lecturer in logic, writer of many theological works, held numerous preferments, the most important being those of dean of Gloucester 1607, of Winchester 1609; canon of York 1610; bishop of Chester 1616, of Cov. and Lich. 1619-32 and Durham 1632 to his death (*D. N. B.*, *Venn*, *Simms*, etc.).

[7] **Gilbert.** Perhaps student of Middle Temple 1627, B.A. 1629 Oriel Coll. Ox., B.C.L. 1632, son of Thos Gilbert, gentleman, of Fradley, near Alrewas (*Foster*). One "Mr Gilbert," preacher, was curate of Harlaston in 1604, and may be some relation of the rector.

The committee for plundered ministers sequestered this rectory from him on or before 7 Aug. 1646 (*Add. MS.* 15670, pp. 341, 444), and on 20 Jan. 1646-7 Elizabeth, his wife, obtained the usual allowance of one-fifth of the profits of this rectory for her maintenance. (*Bod. MS.* 324, p. 274.)

On 24 Sep. 1647 Gilbert occurs as bringing an action against Cross *re* Clyfton parish, perhaps for the non-payment of this allowance. (*Shaw*, II, p. 345.)

Walker states that this rectory was worth 300*l.* or 400*l.* p.a., that Gilbert's total loss was computed to be 10,000*l.*, that he underwent divers imprisonments, especially at Coventry, where he caught the plague, that he was oftentimes assaulted and in danger of his life and that he had 8 or 9 children.

He was restored to this rectory and paid a subsidy of 1*l.* therefor on 9 Jan. 1661-2.

[8] **Cross.** M.A. 1634 Ch. Ch. Ox., preached for 9 years without ordination, which he received from a presbytery, as soon as these were set up (*Calamy*). On 7 Aug. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers recommended him for this cure to the committee of the Assembly of Divines for the examination of ministers. A month later Wm Barton (*see* **Mayfield**) petitioned for this cure and Cross was not definitely appointed until 22 Ap. 1647, when he is

described as a godly and orthodox divine and ordered to preach diligently to the parishioners. (*Add. MS.* 15670, pp. 341, 444; *Bod. MS.* 324, p. 477.) He died of the plague at Basford, Notts., on 8 Aug. 1665 (*Calamy*).

[9] **Selleck.** Presented by Sir John Coventry, knight of the Bath. His Christian name is given in the dioc. register as "Richard," which seems to be a mistake, since he paid first fruits as "John," and Foster unhesitatingly identifies him with a John Selleck, M.A. 1633 Ch. Ch. Ox., D.D. 1665 Lambeth, rector of Elworthy, Somers., 1643, canon of Wells 1660, archd. of Bath 1661.

[10] **Gray.** Described as "clericus" in the burial register.

[11] **Leigh.** One of this name M.A. 1620 Sid. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[12] **Brookes.** Assistant to Cross in 1648, when he signed the testimony. Probably became vicar of Fillongley, Warw., whence ejected in 1662 (*Calamy*).

[13] **Ford.** Born at Willington, Derbys., educated at Repton school and Trin. Coll. Camb. Acted as assistant to Cross, whose sister he married. After his ejection (from this curacy)? he preached in and near Burton and died in 1677 (*Calamy*).

[14] **Schoalcroft.** Paid a subsidy of 5*s.* 0*d.* on 9 Jan. 1661-2 as curate of "Clifton" (*sic*). It is, however, probable that Clifton is a clerical error for "Colwich," q.v.

[15] This chantry is not mentioned in any sixteenth-century document examined by the compiler. *See S. H. C.*, x, n.s., pt. ii, pp. 107, 120.

[16] **Hammersley.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris studiosus, ordained by Wm Overton 4 Mar. 1591-2.

[17] **Curate.** Not named, no degree, no preacher (1602-4 *returns*).

[18] **Joanes,** Jones. *See* **Bradeley.**

[19] **Simson.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris bene exercitatus, ordained 4 Mar. 1591-2 by Wm Overton.

[20] **Birch.** Paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1661, probably had been curate of Barton chapel c. 1651-5 and possibly of Edingale, q.v., 1643-7.

[21] **Canner.** Educated at Cambridge at the expense of Bp Morton, the rector, who gave him the cure of this parish. Though blind, he was able to take all the services except the Sacraments (*Beresford*, p. 233).

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[12] Brookes. Assistant to Cross in 1618, when he signed the testimony. Probably became vicar of Pillaugley, Warw., whence ejected in 1662 (Calamy).

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[15] This chantry is not mentioned in any sixteenth-century document examined by the compiler. See *S. R. C.*, x, n.s., pt. ii, pp. 109, 120.

[16] Hammersley. Scholaris matris et in sacris litteris studiosus, ordained by Wm Overton 4 Mar. 1597-8.

[17] Curate. Not named, no degree, no preacher (1602-4 returns).

[18] Joanes, Jones. See Bradeley.

[19] Simson. Scholaris matris et in sacris litteris bene exercitatus, ordained 4 Mar. 1597-8 by Wm Overton.

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Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 pair of white damask vestments; 1 green crewel vestment; 1 tawney Bruges satin cope; 1 brass cross; 1 brass censer; 1 sanctus bell; 3 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** John Rige & John Keling.

CURATES

occ. 1533-56		Nich Webbe[3]
1587	bur. 4 Ap. 1634	Thos Pytt[4]
occ. 1650-2		Thos Southall B.A.?[5]
occ. 1665	bur. 6 Oct. 1667	Francis Rowley B.A.?[6]
occ. 1676		Edw Farmer

NOTES

[1] *Grants.*

[2] *Fee Farm,* No. 114.

[3] **Webbe.** Vicar choral of Tettenhall in 1533, so probably the curate here. Certainly curate in 1548 (*d* and *Grants*) and in 1556 (*Fee Farm,* No. 116). Subscribed 1559.

[4] **Pytt.** A curate prebendary of loose life, no preacher (1604 *return*), w.p. 17 June 1634 (*P. C. C.,* London).

[5] **Southall.** Probably son of Wm Southall of Albrighton, Salop, and brother of the vicar of Pattingham. If so, B.A. 1632 Pemb. Coll. Ox., perhaps had been granted the vicarage of Shorne, Kent, in 1645 by the committee for plundered ministers (*Foster*). On 27 July 1646 the same committee granted to an unnamed minister here 50*l.* out of the impropriate rectory of Tettenhall, sequestered from Rich Creswell, delinquent, as his salary was but 20*l.* p.a. On 21 Nov. 1646 this order was cancelled and 40*l.* p.a. ordered to be paid from the tithes of Wheaton Aston and Lapley, sequestered from Thos Peters, papist and delinquent. On 27 Mar. 1648 this order was again altered to 50*l.* p.a. out of Tettenhall rectory as before, as the parishioners complained that the Wheaton Aston tithes were being paid to the Lapley minister. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F, 1, p. 257; F, 2, p. 240; *Bod. MSS.* 323, pp. 268, 243, and 325, p. 220.) Apparently this last order was cancelled 3 Feb. 1648-9. (*Compounding,* p. 1906; *see* Tettenhall.) Stipend 5*l.* in 1650 (*note* 2), mentioned as minister in 1651-2 return.

[6] **Rowley.** *See* **Chapel Chorlton.**

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[4] Fyvit. A curate preb[endary] of loose life, no preacher (1600 return), w[ith] p. 17 June 1634 (P. C. C., London).

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[6] Rowley. See Chapel Chorlton.

COLTON

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See Rev. F. Parker's *Colton*, pp. 196 *et seq.*, for an almost complete list of the rectors and patrons here from the thirteenth century.

RECTORS

1500	ob. 1544	Geo Tatton
17 Mar. 1544-5	res. 1558	John Wilson
4 May 1558	w.p. 24 Oct. 1572	Thos Tatton [1]
26 Mar. 1573	occ. 1587	Roger Rowe [2]
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[1] **Tatton.** Probably curate of Stowe, Lichfield, in 1533, chantry priest there in 1544, vicar of Rugeley 1545-58.

[2] **Rowe,** Roe. The Privy Council ordered him to be imprisoned for recusancy and his house to be searched in 1587. (*Acts of P. C.* XIV, p. 277; cf. XV, p. 140.)

[3] **Hunt.** Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris bene exercitatus et gregem suum laudabiliter instruens. Preacher, no degree (1602 *return*), weak preacher, of loose life (1604 *return*). Ordained by Wm Overton 20 Mar. 1585-6. Rectory worth 32*l.* in 1604.

[4] **Saunders.** Married Dorothy, dau. of John Crompton of Stone Park, ar., preb. of Pipa parva 1672-83, paid subsidy of 2*l.* os. od. in 1661. His monument at Colton states that he was provost of Oriel Coll. Ox. (in 1644), but this is clearly a mistake. Possibly son of Wm Saunders of Colton (*sic*, Coughton?), co. Warw. If so, B.A. 1640 Oriel Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). It seems unlikely that this last Saunders could have been elected provost within four years after taking his B.A., so he may have been the rector here, who certainly was an M.A. Another man of this name took his M.A. from Queens' Coll. Camb. in 1652 (*Venn*).

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In 1604 there were some recusants here.

VICARS

occ. 1533	res. 1534	Mr Thos Blith [1]
19 Aug. 1534	ob. 1543	Gervase Bagshawe [2]
25 Feb. 1543-4		Geoffrey Bagshawe
23 May 1554	bur. Aug. 1580	John Russell [3]
22 Mar. 1580-1		Wm Davell
18 Jan. 1584-5		Robt Cawerte
20 Dec. 1589	bur. 4 May 1592	Wm Kendricke
10 May 1592	occ. Aug. 1612	Rich Pearson [4]
12 Jan. 1612-3		Thos Drax B.D. [5]
12 July 1615	bur. 18 Feb. 1624-5	Wm Moore M.A.? [6]
11 Mar. 1624-5	bur. 1 Jan. 1653-4	Gilbert Galamore M.A. [7]
31 May 1654	eject. 1662	John Greensmith M.A. [8]
2 Feb. 1662-3	bur. 16 Feb. 1699-1770	Augustine Scholecroft B.A. [9]

CURATES

occ. 1533	Mathew Maderer
(occ. 1570	Ralph Uppingham)? [10]
occ. 1604	— Ady [11]
occ. 1631	Robt Ashton [12]
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CURATES

occ. 1533	Matthew Madeter
(occ. 1570	Ralph Upplingham)?[1]
occ. 1604	— Aly[2]
occ. 1631	Robt Astlum[3]
occ. 1650	Antony Schoteroft B.A.[4]

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INCUMBENT

occ. 1533 John Spon

LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that Thos Comyn (Edwyn, clerk[13]) had given 2 cottages etc. in Colwich worth 9*s.* 8*d.* p.a. to maintain the High Altar Lights; also that another cottage worth 5*s.* 6*d.* had been given to maintain lights in the church (*e*).[13]

THE TRINITY CHANTRY AT WOLSELEY

Certified in 1546-8 that this chantry had been founded by Geoffrey Wolseley, clerk, to find a priest to sing divine service for ever (*a*)—daily mass for all Christian souls (*b*)—at the altar of the Trinity in the chapel of Wolseley, distant half a mile from the parish church (*a, b*). Its net income is returned in 1546 at 54*s.* 6*d.* and the priest's house valued at 12*d.* p.a. (*a*); in May 1548 at 60*s.* 8*d.* (*b*); 60*s.* (*c*) and circa 1550 at 62*s.* (*r*). In 1546 there were 5½ oz. of gilt plate and other goods as per inventory (*a*), and in 1548 5 oz. of white plate, ornaments worth 7*d.* and 1 bell at the end of the chapel (*b*). The salary of the priest was 48*s.* 2¾*d.* in 1546 (*a*), 54*s.* 0¾*d.* in 1548 (*c*), in which year he was granted a pension of 54*s.* 4*d.* (*p*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5 John Hyll[14]
23 July 1547 ff. occ. 1548 Leonard Bowdon (*c, p*)

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CURATES

occ. 1549	John Blore (*d, e*)
occ. 1609-10	John Bromley [15]
occ. 1647 res. 1659?	Hen Thompson [16]
occ. 1666?	Thos Orton? [17]
1686	Thos Beech [18]
(occ. c. 1713?	Walter Asteley D.D.)? [19]

NOTES

[1] **Blith.** One of this name was preb. of Longdon 1551-6.

[2] **Bagshawe** (Gervase). *See* **Sedgley.**

[3] **Russell.** Perhaps vicar choral at Penkridge in 1548 and curate of Church Eaton in 1553. Subscribed in 1559, also rector of Kingstone, where buried. Will pr. 3 Aug. 1581.

[4] **Pearson.** Non-resident, no preacher, vicarage worth 20*l.* (1604 *return*). Ann, his wife, buried here 29 Aug. 1612.

[5] **Drax.** Born at Stoneleigh, near Coventry, B.D. 1608-9 Ch. Coll. Camb., died at Harwich. A voluminous writer and is said to have been a pious man and an excellent preacher (*Venn, D. N. B.*). While here he complained bitterly to Walter Bagott J.P. of the non-attendance at church of the Wolseleys and other recusants in the parish and urged Bagott to enforce the law. (*Original letters penes W. N. Landor.*)

[6] **Moore.** There are several possible Cambridge graduates of this name. Possibly this Moore, like his predecessor, was educated at Ch. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1606 (*Venn*).

[7] **Galamore,** Gallimore. M.A. 1615 Brasenose Coll. Ox., born in co. Ches. (*Foster*). Probably minister at Maer 1610-14, at Checkley c. 1620, at Stowe by Chartley 1622-4.

On 7 Oct. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers found that this vicarage was but worth 26*l.* p.a., so it granted him an augmentation of 21*l.* p.a. out of this impropriate rectory, i.e. the prebend of Colwich. Further orders for the payment of this aug-

mentation were made in 1648. (*Bod. MSS.* 323, p. 359; 325, pp. 221a, 221b.) In 1649 he was paid at the rate of 22*l.* p.a. (*Shaw*, II, p. 543.)

On 28 May 1651 the committee (for the reformation of the universities)? states that on 7 Oct. 1646 the aforenamed committee had granted him an augmentation of 50*l.* p.a. and orders that this 50*l.* augmentation should be continued. (*Sion MS.*, p. 495; cf. *Lamb. MS.* 976, p. 325.) On 3 Mar. 1653 a further increase of 20*l.* was granted to Galamore by the trustees. (*Lamb. MS.* 975, p. 352.)

[8] **Greensmith.** M.A. 1654 Magd. Hall, Ox. (*Foster*). Presented to this living by Oliver Cromwell and approved by the commissioners on 31 May 1654—Chas Wolseley being one of those signing the certificate of his fitness. (*Lamb. MS.* 997, pt. I, p. 126.) Appointed assistant to the commissioners for the removal of scandalous ministers on 28 Aug. 1654; granted by the trustees on 31 May 1654 an augmentation of 80*l.* in addition to his income as vicar of 20*l.* (*Lamb. MS.* 973, p. 679); in receipt of same c. 1658-9 (*Lamb. MSS.* 981, p. 20; 994, p. 142); lecturer at Stafford, q.v., 1655-60; ejected c. 1662, but continued to live on here (*Calamy*), where buried 22 Aug. 1666.

[9] **Scholecroft,** Schoulcroft, Schoolecroft. Born c. 1635, B.A. 1657-8 S. John's Coll. Camb., son of James Schoolecroft of Lancaster, clerk (*Venn, Mayor*). Occurs as assistant to Greensmith in 1659, married his daughter in 1666. The diocesan register ignores the vicariate of Greensmith and states that Scholecroft was instituted on the death of Galamore. On 9 Jan. 1661-2 Scholecroft paid subsidy of 5*s.* as curate of Clifton (*sic*), but this seems to be a clerical error for Colwich, as the Clifton subsidy was paid by the rector Gilbert.

[10] **Uppingham.** Called "my curate" in the will of Anthony Wolseley dated 1570 (6, *Daper*), but none of these Wolseleys conformed to the Elizabethan settlement of religion, so it is probable that he was his private and non-conforming chaplain.

[11] **Ady.** No preacher, whoremonger, drunkard and gamester (1604 *return*). Possibly identical with the then vicar of Rugeley, q.v.

[12] **Ashton.** Occurs in the Stowe register as curate here? in 1631. Possibly had been reader in Chapel Chorlton chapel in 1624 and became curate of Bednall chapel (occurs 1651-2).

[13] *T. R. Mis. Bk.* 259, p. 304. Probably this was the chantry in the church founded by Geoffrey de Wolseley in 1363. (*S. H. C.*, X, n.s., pt. II, pp. 113, 124.)

[14] **Hyll.** Made an assault with the Wolseleys upon the Cannock Chase gamekeepers. (*S. H. C.*, X, n.s., pt. I, p. 171.) Possibly became a priest at Burton, q.v.

[15] **Bromley.** Mentioned in the printed register of Standon, p. 18.

mentation were made in 1648. (Bod. MSS. 323, p. 350; 325, pp. 221a, 221b.) In 1649 he was paid at the rate of 20l p.a. (Same, ii, p. 522.)

On 28 May 1651 the committee (for the reformation of the universities) states that on 7 Oct. 1649 the aforesaid committee had granted him an augmentation of 50l p.a. and orders that this 50l. augmentation should be continued. (Same MS., p. 295; cf. Lamb. MS. 979, p. 355.) On 3 Mar. 1653 a further increase of 20l. was granted to Calamore by the trustees. (Lamb. MS. 979, p. 355.)

[8] **Greensmith**, M.A. 1634 Magd. Hall, Ox. (Foster). Presented to this living by Oliver Cromwell and approved by the commissioners on 31 May 1654—Chas Wolseley being one of those signing the certificate of his fitness. (Lamb. MS. 997, pt. i, p. 126.) Appointed assistant to the commissioners for the removal of scandalous ministers on 21 Aug. 1654; granted by the trustees on 31 May 1655 an augmentation of 50l. in addition to his income as vicar of 20l. (Lamb. MS. 979, p. 679); in receipt of same c. 1658-9 (Lamb. MS. 987, p. 20; 994, p. 142); lecturer at Stafford, q.v., 1659-60; ejected c. 1662, but continued to live on here (Calamy), where buried 22 Aug. 1666.

[9] **Scholecroft**, Schoulecroft, Schooleycroft. Born c. 1633, B.A. 1657-8 S. John's Coll. Camb., son of James Scholecroft of Lancaster, clerk (Venn, Alumni). Occurs as assistant to Greensmith in 1659, married his daughter in 1660. The diocesan register ignores the vicariate of Greensmith and states that Scholecroft was instituted on the death of Calamore. On 9 Jan. 1661-2 Scholecroft paid subsidy of 5s. as curate of Clifton (sic), but this seems to be a clerical error for Colwich, as the Clifton subsidy was paid by the rector Gilbert.

[10] **Uppingham**. Called "my curate" in the will of Anthony Wolseley dated 1570 (G. Davies), but none of these Wolseleys conformed to the Elizabethan settlement of religion, so it is probable that he was his private and non-conforming chaplain.

[11] **Aby**. No preacher, whoremonger, drunkard and gamester (1604 return). Possibly identical with the then vicar of Ruyeley, q.v.

[12] **Ashton**. Occurs in the Stowe register as curate here in 1631. Possibly had been reader in Chapel Chorlton chapel in 1624 and became curate of Bednall chapel (occurs 1651-2).

[13] T. R. Mis. Rd. 250, p. 304. Probably this was the chantry in the church founded by Geoffrey de Wolseley in 1303. (S. H. C., x, n.s., pt. ii, pp. 113, 124.)

[14] **Hyll**. Made an assault with the Wolseleys upon the Carnock Chase gamekeepers. (S. H. C., x, n.s., pt. i, p. 172.) Possibly became a priest at Burton, q.v.

[15] **Bromley**. Mentioned in the printed register of Stafford, p. 18.

[16] **Thompson.** Granted an augmentation of 25*l.* on 18 June 1647 by the committee for plundered ministers as his stipend was only 8*l.* p.a. Orders for its payment were made in 1651 and 1653, mentioned in 1659 as the former minister here. (*Sion MS.*, p. 496; *Lamb. MSS.* 978, p. 626; 976, pp. 332, 520; 994, p. 142.) Married Grace Priest here on 1 July 1647, probably became curate of Marston. Possible Cambridge graduates of this name are mentioned by Venn.

[17] **Orton.** Certifies the hearths here c. 1665. *See* **Gratwich.**

[18] **Beech.** *See* **Bramshall.**

[19] **Asteley.** Living here early in eighteenth century (*Repton school register*).

CRESWELL

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Certified in 1549 to be a free chapel within the deanery of Stafford, in which for a long time past services had only been held at certain special times in the year, such as in the Procession week, on S. Andrew's day, etc. Its origin was then unknown, but it was endowed with a rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* net p.a. and all tithes of corn and hay in Creswell township, the advowson being in the gift of Randoll Brereton, esq. The total value of its possessions was 5*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* p.a. and it had no plate or goods (*d, e, r*). The salary of the incumbent was 4*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* (*d*). On 6 Feb. 1549-50 Creswell church was removed from the status of a chantry belonging to the King and the patron—then Sir Nich Hare kt—and the inhabitants had all their rights therein as a parish church restored. [1]

In 1633 the bishop reported that the church was not used, though most parts of it were yet standing, the non-resident rector had an income of 4*s.* 0*d.* and the lay patron—Mr Crompton—the rest of the income of this rectory, which was believed to be worth from 60*l.* to 80*l.* p.a. [2]

Patrons: 1553 Sir Nich Hare kt, 1570 Wm Crompton.

RECTORS

18 Dec. 1509	occ. 1549	Peter Brereton [3]
21 June 1553	res. 1570	Wm Hare [4]
23 Mar. 1570-1		Thos Crompton
5 Sep. 1585		John Richards [5]
	(occ. 1602	Ralph Turner)? [6]

[24] **Thompson.** Granted an augmentation of £74 on 18 June 1653 by the committee for plundered ministers as his stipend was only 8l. p.a. Orders for its payment were made in 1654 and 1655, mentioned in 1659 as the former minister here. (Sim. MS., p. 46b; Lamb. MSS. 978, p. 940; 979, pp. 332, 340; 990, p. 142.) Married Grace Priest here on 1 July 1642, probably became curate of Alrewas. Possible Cambridge graduates of this name are mentioned by Venn.

[25] **Orton.** Certifies the benefice here, 1663. See Grafwich.

[26] **Beech.** See Brereton.

[27] **Astley.** Living here early in eighteenth century (Zeph. school register).

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In 1633 the bishop reported that the church was not used, though most parts of it were yet standing, the non-resident rector had an income of 4s. 0d. and the lay patron—Mr Crompton—the rest of the income of this rectory, which was believed to be worth from 6l. to 8l. 0d. p.a.[2]

Patrons: 1553 Sir Nich Hare kt. 1570 Wm Crompton.

RECTORS

18 Dec. 1509	occ. 1549	Peter Bereton[3]
21 June 1553	res. 1570	Wm Hare[4]
23 Mar. 1570-1		Thos Crompton
5 Sep. 1585		John Richards[5]
(occ. 1602		Ralph Turner)?[6]

22 Dec. 1616	ob. May 1632?	Lanhens Bunning [7]
26 Sep. 1633		John Arneway D.D. [8]
21 Sep. 1635		Thos Unton M.A. [9]

NOTES

[1] *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 105, p. 118.

[2] *S. P. Dom. Chas. I*, 250, p. 68.

[3] **Brereton.** Probably B.A. 1520 Oxford, and became vicar of Oswestry, Salop, in 1537 (*Foster*). Occurs here in 1549 (*Aug. Mis. Bk.* 116, pp. 81-5), (*e*).

[4] **Hare.** Perhaps the "gentleman" who was preb. of Sukerhall, Gnosall (1541-8).

[5] **Richards.** Did not appear for examination in 1593.

[6] **Turner.** Described as vicar (1602 *return*), probably curate, not rector. *See* **Caverswall.**

[7] **Bunning.** The predecessor of Arneway died in May 1632. (*S. P. Dom. Chas. I*, 250, p. 68.)

[8] **Arneway.** Born in Salop, M.A. 1624 S. Edmund's Hall, Ox., D.D. 1642. Preb. of Wolvey from 1633, rector of Hodnet and of Ightfield from 1635, archd. of Coventry from 1642. A Royalist divine, exiled after suffering imprisonment and the sequestration of his estate, died in Virginia in 1653 (*D. N. B.*, *Foster*, *Simms*, etc.).

[9] **Unton.** Son of Thos. Unton of Drayton, Salop, M.A. 1632 Trin. Coll. Ox., became vicar of Montford (Salop) in 1639 and of Chetwynd (Salop) in 1662 (*Foster*).

CROXDEN

This chapel is not mentioned in the returns of 1563 or 1604. Formerly approp. to Croxden Abbey.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 3 old altar cloths; 1 little bell; 2 sacring bells; 1 old bustian vestment with albe, amice, stole & fan; 1 corporal cloth with case; 1 old surplice; 1 towel. **Ch. wds.:** Steven Oliver & Steven Snape.

CURATES

occ. 1593		a curate [1]
occ. 1602		Wm Allen
occ. 1651-2	bur. 23 Ap. 1694	Thos Hinkley [2]
1694	occ. 1699	Elias Poynton [3]

22 Dec. 1616	ob. May 1632	Laulness Bunning[1]
26 Sep. 1633		John Arneway D.D.[2]
21 Sep. 1635		Thos Ulton M.A.[3]

NOTES

[1] Alug. Mis. Bk. 105, p. 118.

[2] S. P. Dom. Chas. I, 250, p. 68.

[3] Bretton. Probably B.A. 1620 Oxford, and became vicar of Oswestry, Salop, in 1637 (Foster). Occurs here in 1649 (Alug. Mis. Bk. 116, pp. 81-3), (a).

[4] Hare. Perhaps the "gentleman" who was preb. of Sulcerhall, Cnossall (1541-8).

[5] Richards. Did not appear for examination in 1593.

[6] Turner. Described as vicar (1602 return), probably curate, not rector. See Caverswall.

[7] Bunning. The predecessor of Arneway died in May 1632. (S. P. Dom. Chas. I, 250, p. 68.)

[8] Arneway. Born in Salop, M.A. 1614 S. Edmund's Hall, Ox., D.D. 1642. Preb. of Wolvey from 1633, rector of Hodnet and of Ightfield from 1635, archd. of Coventry from 1642. A Royalist divine, exiled after suffering imprisonment and the sequestration of his estate, died in Virginia in 1653 (D. N. B., Foster, Simms, etc.).

[9] Ulton. Son of Thos. Ulton of Drayton, Salop, M.A. 1632 Trin. Coll. Ox., became vicar of Monford (Salop) in 1639 and of Ginlywyad (Salop) in 1664 (Foster).

CROXDEN

This chapel is not mentioned in the returns of 1593 or 1604. Formerly approp. to Croxden Abbey.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 3 old alter cloths; 1 little bell; 2 sacring bells; 1 old bustian vestment with albs, amice, stole & fan; 1 corporal cloth with case; 1 old surplice; 1 towel. Ch. wdn.: Steven Oliver & Steven Snape.

CURATES

occ. 1593		a curate[1]
occ. 1602		Wm Allen
occ. 1631-2 bur. 23 Ap. 1634		Thos Hinkley[2]
1634	occ. 1639	Elias Poynton[3]

NOTES

[1] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.
[2] **Hinkley.** Perhaps matriculated 1633 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).
[3] **Poynton.** Vicar of Rocester 1677-99.

DARLASTON (WEDNESBURY)

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 pairs of vestments; 4 altar cloths; 4 towels; 2 copes; 2 brass crosses; 1 brass censer; 2 pewter cruets; 3 bells (*s*); 1 little bell (*s*).
Ch. wds.: Edward Bagelley & Gilbert Sclater.

Patrons: 1556 Thos Offley (*S. H. C.*, XII, p. 196), 1619 Sir John Offley kt.

RECTORS

c. 1500	ob. 1528	Geo. Rudde
22 Dec. 1528	bur. 20 Mar. 1590-1	Griffin Broke [1]
3 Aug. 1591	bur. 15 Oct. 1618	James Burton [2]
24 Mar. 1618-9	bur. 22 Oct. 1660	Robt Dyott M.A. [3]
occ. Jan. 1661-2		— Dicken [4]

CURATE

occ. 1620	Hamlett Botne

OBIT

Certified in 1548 that Nich. Wodward priest & John Smith had given one pasture, called Thursmore, for a yearly obit for the soul of Alex. Harris, clerk, and that he might be prayed for in the beadroll. Value in 1548 7*s.* 2*d.* net p.a., of which 5*s.* 8*d.* went to the poor (*b, c*), circa 1550 7*s.* 7*d.* net p.a. (*r*).

LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that there was 1 acre of land in D. let to Roger Dorlaston for 6*d.* net p.a., which had been left to find a lamp within the parish church (*e*).

NOTES

[1] **Broke.** Licensed to hold two preferments on 1 June 1564. (*S. P. Dom. Eliz.* vol. LXXVI.) Described in the burial register as " Grif-

finus, rector dum vixit parochiae Darlaston," no surname is mentioned. Rector for 64 years 3 months, unless there were two rectors in succession with the Christian name of Griffin.

[2] **Burton.** Scholaris ruralis et praedicator publicus. Preacher, non-resident, pluralist (1604 *return*). Ordained priest by Thos Bentham; preb. of Hilton, Wolverhampton, q.v., 1573?-1618; buried at Wolverhampton. Rectory worth 26*l.* in 1604.

[3] **Dyott.** M.A. 1614 Corp. Ch. Ox., son of Anthony Dyott of Lichfield, arm., student of Inner Temple in 1612 (*Foster*). Sacrist of Wolverhampton, q.v., 1637-45? He baptized his children and was himself buried at Darlaston, where he continued to act as minister throughout the Commonwealth period.

[4] **Dicken.** Paid subsidy of 10*s.* in Jan. 1661-2. *See* **Weston-under-Lizard.**

DILHORNE

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D. The benefice was approp. to the dean and chapter of Lichfield, but it was not subject to their peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 gilt copper cross; 3 vestments, 1 of silk, 2 of dornick; 3 copes, 1 of Bruges satin, 2 of dornick; 1 surplice; 1 bell (*s*); 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell; 2 corporals in one case; 1 altar cloth; 1 albe. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Amery & John Wall.

Patrons: 1575 Geo Warner?, 1604 — Browne.

VICARS

	ob. 1500	Steven Hill
1 Aug. 1500		Wm Maskyry
occ. 1533	res. 1534	Geo Derwent [1]
7 Nov. 1534	w.p. 9 Oct. 1559	Thos Thomkynson [2]
occ. 1559?	w.p. 23 Nov. 1575	Wm Carteledge [3]
13 July 1575	bur. 25 May 1617	Rich Cook [4]
17 May 1617	seq. 1647	Thos Cantrell M.A. [5]
occ. 1649		Zachariah Crofton [6]
24 June 1650	occ. 1656	Wm Thomson [7]
occ. 1659	ob. 1700	Thos Dresser [8]

CURATE

occ. 1610-17	John Lloyd [9]

finis, rector dum vixit parochiae Darlaston," no surname is mentioned. Rector for 64 years 3 months, unless there were two rectors in succession with the Christian name of Griffith.

[3] **Burton.** Scholaris ruralis et praedicator publicus. Preacher, non-resident, pluralist (1604 review). Ordained priest by Thos Bentham; preb. of Hilton, Wolverhampton, q.v., 1592?-1618; buried at Wolverhampton. Rector worth 26l. in 1604.

[4] **Dyott.** M.A. 1614 Corp. Ch. Ox., son of Anthony Dyott of Lichfield, arm., student of Inner Temple in 1612 (Foster). Sacrist of Wolverhampton, q.v., 1637-45? He baptized his children and was himself buried at Darlaston, where he continued to act as minister throughout the Commonwealth period.

[5] **Dicken.** Paid subsidy of 10s. in Jan. 1661-2, See Wednesbury-under-Lizard.

DILHORNE

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D. The benefice was approp. to the dean and chapter of Lichfield, but it was not subject to their peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Dedn., 8 May 1533: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 gilt copper cross; 3 vestments, 1 of silk, 2 of dornick; 3 copes, 1 of Bruges satin, 2 of dornick; 1 sanctus bell; 1 bell (s); 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell; 2 corporals in one case; 1 altar cloth; 1 albe. **Ch. wdn.:** Wm Amery & John Wall.

Patrons: 1575 Geo Warner, 1604 — Browne.

VICARS

	ob. 1500	Steven Hill
1 Aug. 1500		Wm Maskery
occ. 1533	res. 1534	Geo Derwent [1]
7 Nov. 1534	w.p. 9 Oct. 1559	Thos Thomkynson [2]
occ. 1559?	w.p. 22 Nov. 1575	Wm Cartledge [3]
13 July 1575	bur. 25 May 1617	Rich Cook [4]
17 May 1617	sed. 1647	Thos Cantrell M.A. [5]
occ. 1649		Zachariah Crotton [6]
24 June 1650	occ. 1656	Wm Thomson [7]
occ. 1659	ob. 1700	Thos Dresser [8]

CURATE

occ. 1610-17	John Lloyd [9]

NOTES

[1] **Derwent,** Darwyn. Described as "Magr." in 1533, will pr. 10 Ap. 1535, said to have resigned the vicarage to Tomkynson upon certain conditions which were not kept. (*S. H. C.*, 1912, pp. 57, 58.)

[2] **Thomkynson,** Tomkynson, Tumkynson. The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 was not paid (19-506).

[3] **Carteledge,** Cartlage, Cartelege. Subscribed at Lichfield 23 Sep. 1559, cure then not stated or known to compiler. Perhaps then vicar here.

[4] **Cook,** Coke. *See* **Blithfield.** Vicarage worth 20 marks in 1604.

[5] **Cantrell.** M.A. 1614 Glouc. Hall (*Foster*). The committee for plundered ministers first received complaints against him on 15 Dec. 1646 (*Bod. MS.* 324, p.151), which it referred for examination to the committee of parliament for Staffordshire. Cantrell obtained several adjournments of his case and the living was not sequestered from him until 6 Oct. 1647. The following men acted on the Staffordshire committee in this case: Thos Crompton, Edw Manwaring, Roger Hunt, Anthony Ryddeyard, esquires, Thos Jolly, Thos Bayley, gentlemen, Capt. Stone and Col. Jackson. (*Add. MS.* 15671, pp. 38, 59.) He is described as of Dilhorne in his will pr. 27 Oct. 1652. (*P. C. C.* 161, *Bowyer.*)

[6] **Crofton,** Crafton. *See* **Newcastle.** On 24 Feb. 1648-9 the committee for plundered ministers granted him a rent of 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* that had formerly been reserved to the dean and chapter of Lichfield from this impropriate rectory, as the vicarage was but worth 40*l.* p.a. (*Bod. MS.* 325, p. 280; *Lamb. MS.* 978, p. 625; *Sion MS.*, p. 497.)

[7] **Thomson.** *See* **Weston-on-Trent.** On 7 Jan. 1651-2 the committee for the reformation of the universities continued this grant to Thomson and ordered it to be paid him from 24 June 1650. Orders for the payment of this augmentation were issued by the trustees on 4 Feb. 1651-2 and 3 Mar. 1651-2. On 17 Feb. 1653-4 the trustees made him a further grant of 14*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, which was to be paid by Mr James Hunt, receiver. (*Sion MS.*, p. 497; *Lamb. MSS.* 975, p. 351; 978, p. 625; 976, p. 331.) Mentioned by Hutchinson as here in 1656, certainly was the immediate predecessor of Dresser. (*Lamb. MS.* 994, p. 142.)

[8] **Dresser.** *See* **Thursfield chapel.** Succeeded Thomson as vicar here; circa 1659 in receipt of an augmentation of 14*l.* (*Lamb. MS.* 994, p. 142), instituted 26 Sep. 1661 (*Act Book*, VII), paid subsidy of 15*s.* in Jan. 1661-2.

[9] **Lloyd.** Signed register as minister c. 1610-17.

NOTES

[1] **Derwent, Darwyn.** Described as "Mag." in 1533, will pr. to Ap. 1533, said to have resigned the vicarage to Tunkynson upon certain conditions which were not kept (S. R. C., 1072, pp. 57, 58).

[2] **Thunkynson, Tonkynson, Tunkynson.** The subsidy due as Mar. 1558 was not paid (19-300).

[3] **Cartledge, Carthlege, Cartlidge.** Subscribed at Lichfield 23 Sep. 1559, cure then not stated or known to compiler. Perhaps then vicar here.

[4] **Cook, Coke.** See Billthfield. Vicarage worth 20 marks in 1608.

[5] **Cantrell, M.A.** 1614 Clone. Hall (Ansty). The committee for plundered ministers first received complaints against him on 15 Dec. 1646 (Bod. MS. 334, p. 151) which it referred for examination to the committee of parliament for Staffordshire. Cantrell obtained several adjournments of his case and the living was not sequestered from him until 6 Oct. 1647. The following men acted on the Staffordshire committee in this case: Thos Crompton, Edw Mainwaring, Roger Hunt, Anthony Rydleyward, esquires, Thos Jolly, Thos Bayley, gentlemen, Capt. Stone and Col. Jackson. (Add. MS. 15927, pp. 38, 59.) He is described as of Dilhorne in his will pr. 27 Oct. 1654. (P. C. C. 101, Bowyer.)

[6] **Cotton, Cratton.** See Newcastle. On 24 Feb. 1648-9 the committee for plundered ministers granted him a rent of £4, 14s. that had formerly been reserved to the dean and chapter of Lichfield from this impropriate rectory, as the vicarage was but worth £6 p.a. (Bod. MS. 325, p. 280; Lamb. MS. 978, p. 653; Sim. MS., p. 407.)

[7] **Thomson.** See Weston-on-Trent. On 7 Jan. 1651-2 the committee for the reformation of the universities continued this grant to Thomson and ordered it to be paid him from 24 June 1650. Orders for the payment of this augmentation were issued by the trustees on 4 Feb. 1651-2 and 3 Mar. 1652-3. On 17 Feb. 1653-4 the trustees made him a further grant of £14 or £6, which was to be paid by Mr James Hunt, receiver. (Sim. MS., p. 407; Lamb. MS. 979, p. 331; 979, p. 653; 979, p. 331.) Mentioned by Hutchinson as here in 1656, certainly was the immediate predecessor of Dresser. (Lamb. MS. 994, p. 112.)

[8] **Dresser.** See Thinstfield chapel. Succeeded Thomson as vicar here; circa 1659 in receipt of an augmentation of £14. (Lamb. MS. 994, p. 142), instituted 20 Sep. 1661 (Archd. Rook, vii), paid subsidy of 1662 in Jan. 1661-2.

[9] **Lloyd.** Signed register as minister c. 1670-72.

DRAYCOTT-IN-THE-MOORS

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 9 vestments, 1 of red "sipars" satin, with all things to it, 1 of blue do. do. do., 1 of crimson camlet without an amice, 6 of divers colours without anything belonging to them; 2 copes, 1 of dun velvet, 1 of green worsted; 8 altar cloths; 3 corporals with cases; 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 great bells (*s*); 1 hand bell; 2 sacring bells. **Ch. wds.:** James Wright & Rich Cock.

In 1604 there were many recusants here.

Patrons: 1302-1558 the Draycotts (*S. H. C.*, 1911, p. 59; x, n.s., p. 141), 1562-83 the Crown, 1657 Thos Tickeridge and Thos Abnet, 1662 Geo Parker, etc.

RECTORS

	ob. 1512	Wm Draycott
occ. 1533	res. 1547	Anthony Draycott LL.D.[1]
26 Jan. 1547-8 ff.	w.p. 5 Nov. 1552	Rich Fytton[2]
15 Mar. 1552-3	ob. 1558	Hen Gaskyn[3]
19 Nov. 1558	res. c. 1560	Wm Stapleton[4]
on 1 Jan. 1560-1		no rector[5]
11 Jan. 1561-2	occ. 1568	John Heywood[6]
11 Feb. 1575-6 ff.	w.p. 23 May 1610	Wm Pennyfather[7]
1610	bur. 16 July 1611	Geo Eyre[8]
26 July 1611		Hugh Meare[9]
10 June 1614	w.p. 21 Dec. 1649	Alex Howe B.D.[10]
27 Feb. 1649-50 ff.	occ. 1652	Wm Taylor[11]
5 Mar. 1655-6		Alex Brassington B.A.?[12]
29 July 1657	res. c. 1661	John Smith B.A.?[13]
occ. 1661	occ. 1666	Nicholas Smith B.A.[14]
12 Oct. 1678		John Sherratt M.A.[15]

RECTORS
Invalid appointments

26 Jan. 1561-2	John Fyssher[6]
1 Mar. 1582-3	Henry Cunder[7]

DRAYCOTT-IN-THE-MOORS

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 9 vestments, 1 of red "sparis" satin, with all things to it, 1 of blue do. do. do., 1 of crimson camlet without an amice, 6 of divers colours without anything belonging to them; 2 copes, 1 of dun velvet, 1 of green worsted; 8 altar cloths; 3 corporals with cases; 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 great bells (s); 1 hand bell; 2 sacring bells. **Ch. wds.:** James Wright & Rich Cock.

In 1604 there were many recusants here.

Patrons: 1302-1368 the Draycotts (S. W.C., 1911, p. 50); x n.s., p. 141), 1562-83 the Crown, 1653 Thos Tickeridge and Thos Abnet, 1662 Geo Parker, etc.

RECTORS

	ob. 1512	Wm Draycott
occ. 1533	res. 1547	Anthony Draycott LL.D.[1]
26 Jan. 1547-8	ff. w.p. 5 Nov. 1552	Rich Fyston[2]
15 Mar. 1552-3	ob. 1558	Hen Gaskyn[3]
19 Nov. 1558	res. c. 1560	Wm Stapleton[4]
on 1 Jan. 1560-1		no rector[5]
11 Jan. 1561-2	occ. 1568	John Heywood[6]
11 Feb. 1575-6	ff. w.p. 23 May 1610	Wm Pennyfather[7]
1610	bur. 16 July 1611	Geo Gyre[8]
26 July 1611		Hugh Meare[9]
10 June 1614	w.p. 21 Dec. 1649	Alex Howe B.D.[10]
27 Feb. 1649-50	occ. 1652	Wm Taylor[11]
5 Mar. 1655-6		Alex Brassington B.A.[12]
29 July 1657	res. c. 1661	John Smith B.A.[13]
occ. 1661	occ. 1666	Nicholas Smith B.A.[14]
12 Oct. 1678		John Sherratt M.A.[15]

RECTORS

Invalid appointments

26 Jan. 1561-2	John Fysher[6]
1 Mar. 1582-3	Henry Cundar[16]

CURATES

occ. 1533 Thos Wyldegose[16]
(w.p. 21 Sep. 1552 Robt Whithed)?[17]

NOTES

[1] **Draycott** (Anthony). *See* **Checkley.**

[2] **Fytton.** Instituted 15 Feb. 1547-8.

[3] **Gaskyn,** Gascoine.

[4] **Stapleton.** Presented to this rectory by Philip Draycott, then described as chaplain. Both belonged to well-known recusant families and no doubt Stapleton resigned on account of the Elizabethan settlement of religion.

[5] *Subsidy* 19-509.

[6] **Heywood.** Instituted 11 Jan. 1561-2, patron the Crown (*Dioc. Reg.*); paid first fruits 17 May 1564; paid subsidy of 18*s.* 8*d.* in 1568 (19-516), possibly as "Heyward" subscribed in 1559. Is identified by Harwood with John Hayward, rector of Eyam, Derbs., and chancellor of Lichfield cathedral 1614-21? (*Harwood*, p. 199). Shortly after his institution, viz. on 26 Jan. 1561-2, John Fyssher, clerk, was presented to the rectory by the Crown on the petition of Magr. Sawle, chaplain (*Lans. MS.* 443, p. 3), but it is clear that this presentation was subsequently cancelled. Fyssher may have been preb. of Syerscote, Tamworth, q.v., c. 1533-48.

[7] **Pennyfather,** Peinfather, etc. Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris bene exercitatus et ad instructendum gregem suum habilis et idoneus. No degree, no preacher (1602-4 *returns*). Ordained by Thos Bentham, paid first fruits for this rectory 11 Feb. 1575-6; presented by Crown 15 June 1583 (*Lans. MS.* 443, p. 17); instituted by Wm Overton 22 Aug. 1583 (1593 *return*).

On 1 Mar. 1582-3 Hen Cunder was presented by the Crown to this rectory (*Lans. MS.* 443, p. 8), but it is clear that this appointment was cancelled.

[8] **Eyre.** Buried at Bramshall.

[9] **Meare.** Perhaps had been curate of Fulford Chapel, q.v., in 1602. Probably rector of Norbury 1617-38, where buried; will pr. 9 Jan. 1638-9.

[10] **Howe.** *See* **Caverswall.**

[11] **Taylor.** Married Ellenore Bomfort at Rocester 16 Oct. 1652.

[12] **Brassington.** Matriculated 1650 Oriel Coll. Ox., son of Geo Brassington of Caverswall (*Foster*).

[13] **Smith** (John). Admitted by the commissioners 29 July 1657 upon a presentation exhibited by Thos Abnet and Thos Tickeridge, the patrons. (*Lamb. MS.* 998, p. 80.) Certified the fitness of candi-

dates for the ministry in 1658-9 (*Lamb. MS.* 999); perhaps had been vicar of Audley, q.v., 1646-8. See also Tutbury and Grindon for other incumbents of this name about this date.

[14] **Smith** (Nich). Perhaps matric. 1657 Exeter Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). Paid subsidy of 10*s.* c. Jan. 1661-2; instituted 1 July 1662 on the resignation of John Smith. Patrons: Geo Parker of Parkhall, Staffs, and Wm his son and heir (*Dioc. Reg.*).

[15] **Sherratt.** M.A. Trin. Coll. Camb.

[16] **Wyldegose.** *See* **Blymhill.**

[17] **Whithed.** Described in his will as "of Draycott" and "clerk."

DRAYTON BASSETT

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D. Formerly the rectors were admitted at the presentation of the dean and chapter of the collegiate church of Tamworth on the nomination of the lords Bassett of Drayton and their heirs.[1]

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 4 old vestments, 2 of tawney sarsenet, 1 of red worsted, 1 of green saie; 2 albes; 2 old blue sarsenet copes; 2 altar cloths; 1 latten cross; 2 great bells (*s*); 1 little bell (*s*), whereof the parish bought of late the 2 great bells of the King. **Ch. wds.:** Nich Nicklenson & John Potte.

Patrons: 1553, 1555 Wm Robinson of Drayton, 1604 the countess of Leicester, 1630-62 the Crown.

RECTORS

	ob. c. 1532	Ap David ap Jenkyn[2]
	res. 1546	Rich Talbott
18 Jan. 1546-7 ff.	w.p. 3 Ap. 1553	Robt Barlow[3]
5 Ap. 1553	deprived 1555	Laurence Nowell M.A.[4]
5 June 1555	occ. 1559	James Walker[5]
c. 1560 rest.	ob. Nov. 1576	Laurence Nowell M.A.[4]
20 Jan. 1578-9	bur. 27 Jan. 1585-6	Hector Lee
16 July 1586	bur. 10 Jan. 1629-30	Geo Paston M.A.[6]
21 Jan. 1629-30	bur. 29 Nov. 1649	John Buckbery M.A.[7]
1 Dec. 1649	eject. 1662	Timothy Fox[8]
29 Oct. 1662	res. 1673	Hugh Humphreys M.A.[9]
29 July 1673		Arthur Shipton M.A.

dates for the ministry in 1658-9 (Lamb. MS. 909); perhaps had been vicar of Audley, q.v., 1646-8. See also Tarbury and Creaton for other incumbents of this name about this date.

[14] Smith (Nich). Perhaps matric. 1647 Exeter Coll. Ox. (Foster). Paid subsidy of 10s. c. Jan. 1661-2; instituted 1 July 1665 on the resignation of John Smith. Patrons: Geo Parker of Parkhall Staffs, and Wm his son and heir (Dioc. Reg.).

[15] Sherratt, M.A. Trin. Coll. Camb.

[16] Wyldegoose. See Blymhill.

[17] Whitled. Described in his will as "of Draycott" and "clerk."

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Patrons: 1553, 1555 Wm Robinson of Drayton, 1604 the countess of Leicester, 1630-62 the Crown.

RECTORS

	ob. c. 1532	Ap David ap Jenkyn[2]
	res. 1540	Rich Talbott
18 Jan. 1546-7	g. w.p. 3 Ap. 1553	Robt Barlow[3]
5 Ap. 1553	deprived 1555	Laurence Nowell M.A.[4]
5 June 1555	occ. 1559	James Walker[5]
c. 1560 rest.	ob. Nov. 1576	Laurence Nowell M.A.[4]
20 Jan. 1576-9	bur. 27 Jan. 1585-6	Hector Lee
16 July 1586	bur. 10 Jan. 1629-30	Geo Paston M.A.[6]
21 Jan. 1629-30	bur. 29 Nov. 1649	John Buckbery M.A.[7]
1 Dec. 1649	eject. 1662	Timothy Fox[8]
29 Oct. 1662	res. 1673	Hugh Humphreys M.A.[9]
29 July 1673		Arthur Shipton M.A.

CURATES

occ. 1533	Wm Caryar
occ. 25 Mar. 1558	Thos Ryder [10]
occ. 1593	John Deane [11]

THE "BASSETT CHANTRIES"

Certified in 1546 and 1548 that they had all been founded by Sir Rauf Bassett kt, lord of Drayton, to find three priests to sing daily divine service at the three altars named below and that they were severally endowed with the income and ornaments mentioned (*a*, *b*). [12] In 1548 these services had 14 oz. of partly gilt plate and ornaments worth 3*s*. (*b*).

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Income 1546 4*l*. 17*s*. 0*d*. (*a*), 1548 5*l*. 5*s*. 0*d*. (*b*, *r*), 5*l*. 10*s*. 0*d*. (*c*); salary of priest 1546 4*l*. 9*s*. 0*d*. (*a*); ornaments 1546 7 oz. of white plate and other goods as per inventory (*a*); also a mansion house worth 26*s*., inhabited by the 3 chantry priests (*a*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5	John Goldstone
22 July 1541 ff.	Wm Ombersley
30 Ap. 1547 ff.	Ralph Pickering
in June 1548	no incumbent (*c*)

SERVICE OF S. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Income 1546 4*l*. 15*s*. 3*d*. (*a*), 1548 5*l*. 2*s*. 0*d*. (*b*, *c*, *r*); salary of priest 1546 4*l*. 7*s*. 4*d*. (*a*), 1548 same (*c*), pension of priest 1548 4*l*. 7*s*. 4*d*. (*p*); ornaments 1546 6 oz. of white plate and other goods as per inventory (*a*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48	John Legge [13]

SERVICE OF S. NICHOLAS

Income 1546 4*l*. 15*s*. 8*d*. (*a*), 1548 5*l*. (*b*), 5*l*. 0*s*. 4*d*. (*c*), 5*l*. 2*s*. 4*d*. (*r*); salary of priest 1546 4*l*. 7*s*. 8*d*. (*a*); ornaments 1546 6 oz. of white plate and other goods as per inventory (*a*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5 Nich Halley

in June 1548 no incumbent (*c*)

OBIT

Certified in 1548 that Robt Goleson had given lands worth 2*s*. 4*d*. net p.a. for an obit here (*b*, *r*).

LIGHTS

Certified in 1548 and 1549 that there was one pasture worth 18*d*. (*b*, *r*) or 12*d*. (*e*) net p.a. given of old for one light in the church (*b*, *e*, *r*).

NOTES

[1] *S. H. C.*, x, n.s., pp. 127, 128.

[2] **Ap Jenkyn.** His executors paid the tax on this rectory in 1533.

[3] **Barlow.** Instituted 25 Jan. 1546-7.

[4] **Nowell.** Born at Whalley, Lancs., educated at Middleton school, Oxford and Cambridge universities, M.A. 1543-4, master of Sutton Coldfield school 1546-50, rector of Harting, Sussex, 1551, exiled during Qn Mary's reign, dean of Lichfield 1559-77, rector of Haughton 1564-77, preb. of Ampleford, Yorks., 1566, etc. An eminent Saxon scholar. For a list of his writings, etc., *see* Simms.

[5] **Walker.** Subscribed in 1559, described as chaplain when instituted.

[6] **Paston.** B.A. 1585 Merton Coll. Ox., M.A. 1588 S. Mary's Hall, Ox. (*Foster*), M.A. et praedicator publicus (1593 *return*). Preacher, pluralist, non-resident (1604 *return*), ordained priest by John (*sic*) Edmund? Wigorn; instituted by Wm Overton; vicar of S. Mary's, Lichfield, 1594-?, rector of Kingswinford 1622-6, preb. of Dernford 1594, of Curborough 1594-1630; buried here. Rectory worth 65*l*. p.a. in 1604.

[7] **Buckbery,** Bugbury. Presented by Crown.

[8] **Fox.** Matriculated 1647-8 Ch. Coll. Camb., ordained by Whitechurch Classis (*Shaw*, II, p. 412); paid subsidy of 1*l*. in Jan. 1661-2; twice imprisoned under Schism Act (*D. N. B.*, *Venn*, *Calamy*).

[9] **Humphreys.** *See* **Longdon.** Presented to this living by the Crown 29 Oct. 1662 (*Keeper*, 46); instituted 18 Nov. 1662.

[10] **Ryder.** Paid subsidy of 6*s*. 8*d*. in 1558 (19-506).

[11] **Deane.** Resident curate here, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[12] **Chantries.** Mentioned in *S. H. C.*, x, n.s., pt. II, pp. 112, 116, 133.

[13] **Legge.** Perhaps B.A. 1519 New Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). Buried at Hints 17 Jan. 1558-9, perhaps acted as curate there.

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5 Nich Halley

in June 1548 . . no incumbent (5)

OBIT

Certified in 1548 that Robt Colston had given lands worth 2s. 4d. net p.a. for an obit here (6, 7).

LIGHTS

Certified in 1548 and 1549 that there was one pasture worth 18d. (6, 7) or 12d. (5) net p.a. given of old for one light in the church (6, 5, 7).

NOTES

[1] S. H. C., x, n.s., pp. 127, 128.

[2] Ap Jenkyn. His executors paid the tax on this rectory in 1535.

[3] Barlow. Instituted 25 Jan. 1540-1.

[4] Nowell. Born at Whalley, Lancs., educated at Middleton school, Oxford and Cambridge universities, M.A. 1543-4, master of Sutton Coldfield school 1549-50, rector of Harting, Sussex, 1551, exiled during Qn Mary's reign, dean of Lichfield 1559-72, rector of Hawkshton 1564-72, preb. of Ampleford, Yorks., 1566, etc. An eminent Saxon scholar. For a list of his writings, etc., see binns.

[5] Walker. Subscribed in 1559, described as chaplain when instituted.

[6] Paston. B.A. 1585 Merton Coll. Ox., M.A. 1588 S. Mary's Hall, Ox. (Foster), M.A. et praedicator publicus (1593 reform), Preacher, physician, non-resident (1604 reform), ordained priest by John (sic) Edmund) Wigorn; instituted by Wm Overton; vicar of S. Mary's Lichfield, 1594-7, rector of Kingswinford 1603-6, preb. of Prendord 1594, of Carborough 1594-1630; buried here. Rectory worth 65l. p.a. in 1604.

[7] Buckbury, Bugbury. Presented by Crown.

[8] Fox. Matriculated 1627-8 Ch. Coll. Camb., ordained by Wintr; church Classis (Shaw, ii, p. 423); paid subsidy of 1l. in Jan. 1661-2; twice imprisoned under Schism Act (W. N. B., Ferns, Calamy).

[9] Humphreys. See Langdon. Presented to this living by the Crown 29 Oct. 1662 (Keeper, 46); instituted 18 Nov. 1662.

[10] Ryder. Paid subsidy of 6s. 8d. in 1536 (10-500).

[11] Deane. Resident curate here, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[12] Chandler. Mentioned in S. H. C., x, n.s., pt. ii, pp. 114, 116, 123.

[13] Legge. Perhaps B.A. 1575 New Coll. Ox. (Foster). Buried at Hints 17 Jan. 1595-6, perhaps acted as curate there.

ECCLESHALL

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, approp. to the preb. of Eccleshall and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction. **Ch. Orn.,** 4 May 1553: 4 silver chalices with patens; 4 great bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 1 hand bell; 2 sacring bells; 2 pewter cruets; 1 little wood pyx, garnished with silver; 2 maslyn censers, 1 with silver chains; 5 maslyn candlesticks; 1 little wood cross covered with silver; 1 copper cross; 1 copper ship; 3 lead cruets; 1 bellmetal bucket; 4 copes; 15 vestments; 10 tunacles; 14 albes; 8 amices; 5 stoles; 6 fans; 8 corporals with cases; 9 altar cloths; 3 cloths to hang afore the altars; 9 towels; 1 veil cloth; 1 painted cloth that hung afore the rood. **Ch. wds.:** John Hixson, Thos Paddy, John Walkar & Thos Amsill.

In 1604 there were many recusants here.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1553	John Hopton
24 Oct. 1553	res. 1555	Wm Cureton [1]
31 July 1555	ob. 1558	Mr Thos Harryngton
25 May 1558	res. 1565	Geoffrey Gosling [2]
6 Aug. 1565	res. 1573	Gilbert Magnoles [3]
18 Nov. 1573		Wm Pollard [4]
3 Nov. 1579	bur. 9 Mar. 1605-6	Roger Steventon [5]
18 Ap. 1606	res. 1630	Francis Rowley [6]
20 Dec. 1630	bur. 15 May 1652	Thos Baddeley M.A. [7]
23 May 1652	bur. 25 Mar. 1661	Edward Wyrley [8]
9 July 1662	res. c. 1668	John Cook [9]
	(ob. 1668	Wm Walwood)? [10]
30 Oct. 1668	occ. 1679	Wm Forde B.A.
1683	bur. 24 Mar. 1685-6	Rich Walker
9 Ap. 1686		Thos Adderley B.A. [11]

CURATES

(occ. 1640-6	Joseph Dobson B.A.)? [12]
(occ. 1648	Robt Spencer)? [13]

THE GUILDS

Certified in 1548 that the inhabitants had established two guilds there, among themselves and without incorporation,

called Our Lady's and S. Katherine's guilds, the service priests of which were maintained partly from the rent of certain lands etc. worth 3*l.* 2*s.* 2*d.* net p.a., which had been bought for them, and partly from " gatherings " among the inhabitants. Sometimes there had been one and sometimes two of these priests, whose duties were to celebrate mass daily and also to teach poor men's children freely. They were removable at the will and pleasure of the Masters of the Guild. No plate or goods were returned in 1548, but in 1552 it was discovered that there were a pot & a pan belonging to them, also 32*s.* in the hands of Hugh Wyldbloud & 12*s.* 4*d.* in the hands of Rich Nowell (*b, c, h*). Circa 1550 the endowment is given as 3*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* net (*r*).

CHAPLAINS

occ. 1533	John Holyede
occ. 1533	Edmund Jackson [14]
occ. June 1548	Geoffrey Gosling [2]

BROUGHTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563. Consecrated 1 Sep. 1633.

CURATES

1634	bur. 15 Jan. 1634-5	Wm Ingram [15]
occ. 1651-2		Wm Shaw M.A.? [16]

CHARNES CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563. Void in April 1553, when John Yong, gentleman, was discovered to have 1 bell, 1 chalice and 1 suite of ornaments belonging thereto (*h, m, n*).

CURATES

occ. 1604	Wm Gratbatch [17]
occ. before 1651-2	Nich Roades [18]
10 Nov. 1657	Thos Bowyer [19]

CHAPEL CHORLTON CHAPEL

Not named in 1563 return. Dedicated to S. Laurence (*h, n*).

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 2 bells (*s*); 1 little bell; 3 vestments; 1 cope; 1 albe; 1 amice; 1 stole; 1 fan; 1 corporal case; 2 towels; 1 surplice; 1 rochet; 1 altar cloth; 1 painted cloth

called Our Lady's and S. Katherine's guilds, the service priests of which were maintained partly from the rent of certain lands etc. worth 3*l.* 2*s.* 2*d.* net p.a., which had been bought for them, and partly from "gatherings" among the inhabitants. Sometimes there had been one and sometimes two of these priests, whose duties were to celebrate mass daily and also to teach poor men's children freely. They were removable at the will and pleasure of the Masters of the Guild. No plate or goods were returned in 1548, but in 1552 it was discovered that there were a pot & a pan belonging to them, also 7*s.* in the hands of Hugh Wyldblood & 12*s.* 4*d.* in the hands of Rich. Newell (6, c, 4). Circa 1550 the endowment is given as 3*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* net (7).

CHAPLAINS

occ. 1533 — John Holyede
occ. 1533 — Edmund Jackson[11]
occ. June 1548 — Geoffrey Gosling[2]

BROUGHTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563. Consecrated 1 Sep. 1633.

CURATES

1634 — bur. 15 Jan. 1634-5 — Wm Ingram[11]
occ. 1651-2 — Wm Shaw M.A.?[14]

CHARNES CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563. Void in April 1553, when John Yong, gentleman, was discovered to have 1 bell, 1 chalice and 1 suite of ornaments belonging thereto (4, w, 4).

CURATES

occ. 1604 — Wm Cratchatch[11]
occ. before 1651-2 — Nich. Roades[13]
20 Nov. 1652 — Thos Bewyer[13]

CHAPEL, CHORLTON CHAPEL

Not named in 1563 return. Dedicated to S. Laurence (4, n).

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 2 bells (5); 1 little bell; 3 vestments; 1 cope; 1 albe; 1 amice; 1 stole; 1 fan; 1 corporal case; 2 towels; 1 surplice; 1 rochet; 1 altar cloth; 1 painted cloth.

before the altar; 1 cross of wood & brass; 1 maslyn pyx; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 1 maslyn lamp; 1 lead cruet; 1 brass bucket; 1 brass censer; 1 pewter chrismatory; 1 sepulchre cloth. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Shorte & Wm Elkin.

Certified in 1549 that 2 cottages and lands in Chorlton, let at a yearly rent of 15*s.*, had been given to maintain this chapel and a priest to sing (mass) therein for ever; that it also possessed a chapel yard worth 8*d.* p.a., 2 bells (*s*), no plate but divers ornaments not valued because the inhabitants are suitors that the chapel and the ornaments may remain for their ease, as it is 4 miles distant from the parish church (*e*).

Discovered in Sep. 1552 that there also belonged to this chapel 17 sheep in the hands of Wm Stephenson, 16*s.* in money in the hands of Thos Shorte? and 1 partly gilt chalice and paten, in addition to the ornaments returned in May 1553 (*h, cf. m*).

Discovered in Ap. 1553 that 1 cottage was let to Wm Marchen the younger for 5*s.*, that 1 messuage and lands were let to Wm Marchen the elder for 10*s.*; and that the priest had received the rent within the past year. Informants: John Beche,[20] priest, Thos Shorte, Wm Ilkeyn (*n*).

CURATES

The following ministers all described as (lay?) "readers" sign the registers of this chapel in the years named:

occ. 1604-12		Thos Cope[21]
occ. 1611		Wm Machin
occ. 1615	bur 4 May 1623	Steven Sutton
occ. 1624		R. Ashton
occ. 1627-40		John Cank[22]
occ. 1646		Thos Cope
occ. 1651-2		Francis Rowley[23]
occ. 1665-8		James Corbett[24]

NOTES

[1] **Cureton.** Probably chaplain at Brewood in 1533, preb. of Curborough 1542-56 and rector of Swynnerton 1555-6. Will pr. 2 Jan. 1556-7.

[2] **Gosling,** Gostling. Guild priest here in 1548, vicar 1558-65, subscribed in 1559, buried at Gnosall in 1580.

[3] **Magnoles.** Preb. of Ryton 1568-70.

[4] **Pollard** or Pollerd. One of this name fellow of Exeter Coll. Ox.

before the altar; 1 cross of wood & brass; 1 masslyn pyx; 2 masslyn candlesticks; 1 masslyn lamp; 1 lead cruet; 1 brass bucket; 1 brass censer; 1 pewter chrismatory; 1 sepulchre cloth. Ch. wds.: Thos Shorte & Wm Elkin.

Certified in 1540 that 2 cottages and lands in Cheriton, let at a yearly rent of 13s., had been given to maintain this chapel and a priest to sing (mass) therein for ever; that it also possessed a chapel yard worth 8d. p.a., 2 bells (a), no plate but divers ornaments not valued because the inhabitants are sinfors that the chapel and the ornaments may remain for their ease, as it is 4 miles distant from the parish church (a).

Discovered in Sep. 1555 that there also belonged to this chapel 7 sheep in the hands of Wm Stephenson, 10s. in money in the hands of Thos Shorter and 1 partly gilt chalice and paten, in addition to the ornaments returned in May 1553 (b, c, m).

Discovered in Ap. 1555 that 1 cottage was let to Wm Marchen the younger for 5s., that 1 messuage and lands were let to Wm Marchen the elder for 10s.; and that the priest had received the rent within the past year. Informants: John Beche,[1] priest, Thos Shorte, Wm Illeyn (n).

CURATES

The following ministers all described as (lay?) "readers" sign the registers of this chapel in the years named:

occ. 1614-12	Thos Cope[2]
occ. 1617	Wm Marlin
occ. 1615 but 4 May 1623	Steven Sutton
occ. 1624	R. Ashton
occ. 1627-40	John Cank[3]
occ. 1640	Thos Cope
occ. 1651-2	Francis Rowley[4]
occ. 1665-8	James Corbett[5]

NOTES

[1] **Careton.** Probably chaplain at Brewood in 1513, prob. of Cutbroughs 1542-56 and rector of Swynnerton 1555-6. Will pr. 2 Jan. 1559-7.

[2] **Gosling.** Gosling, Guild priest here in 1548, vicar 1558-65, ordained in 1550, buried at Cannock in 1580.

[3] **Hampole.** Prob. of Ryton 1565-70.

[4] **Pollard or Polford.** One of this name fellow of Exeter Coll. Ox.

1559-65, B.A. 1561, student of the Inner Temple in 1563, as of Horwood, Devon (*Foster*). Another M.A. 1569 Clare Coll. Camb.; another B.A. 1569-70 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[5] **Steventon.** Scholaris ruralis et praedicator publicus. Preacher (1604 *return*). Ordained by Thos Bentham. Vicarage worth 20*l.* in 1604.

[6] **Rowley.** *See note* 23.

[7] **Baddeley.** M.A. 1627 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Perhaps curate of Bilston chapel c. 1622 and/or preb. of Gaia major 1642-?. By orders of the committee for plundered ministers dated 28 May and 11 Sep. 1647 Baddeley and the minister at Charnes had been granted an augmentation—amount not stated—out of the impropriate (prebend?) of Eccleshall, sequestered from Lady . . . Hill, papist and delinquent, which they did not receive because 50*l.* had been granted out of the same to the minister of Biddulph. Hence a new order was made by the aforenamed committee dated 17 Mar. 1647-8, by which Baddeley was to have the first charge upon the same. (*Bod. MS.* 325, p. 219.)

[8] **Wyrley,** Worley, Wygley. Became vicar on 23 May 1652 (*Par. Reg.*); chosen registrar for the parish in 1656; buried at Chebsey. One Edw Wigley matriculated 1639 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[9] **Cook.** *See* **Adbaston** and **Whitmore.**

[10] **Walwood.** Died in 1668 (*Hutchinson*). Very doubtful if Walwood were vicar here, for Cook is definitely stated to be the immediate predecessor of Forde (*Gregory*), and Forde was instituted on the resignation—not the death—of a former vicar (*Dioc. Reg.*)

[11] **Adderley.** B.A. 1669 S. John's Coll. Ox., son of Gilbert Adderley of Coventry, vicar of Ighfield, Salop (*Foster*).

[12] **Dobson.** Perhaps B.A. 1635 Linc. Coll. Ox., son of John Dobson of Laiclyffe, co. York (*Foster*). Occurs as clerk in parish register 1640-6.

[13] **Spencer.** Perhaps as " student " ordained deacon 19 Sep. 1630, mentioned as clerk in register on 20 June 1648, probably minister in 1651-2 of Bradeley by Stafford.

[14] **Jackson.** *See* **High Offley.**

[15] **Ingram,** Angrom. Buried at Ashley, will pr. 8 Feb. 1635-6 (*P. C. C.* 24, *Pile*).

[16] **Shaw.** *See* **Mavesyn Ridware.**

[17] **Gratbatch.** No preacher, (lay) reader, young scholar presented with Ann Pottar for fornication, salary 40*s.* (1604 *return*).

[18] **Roades.** Last incumbent here (1651-2 *return*). An augmentation granted to the minister of Charnes in 1647 (*see note* 7).

[19] **Bowyer.** Presented by Katharine Yong, widow, 10 Nov. 1657, admitted by the commissioners 12 Feb. 1657-8. (*Lamb. MS.* 998, p. 190.)

1559–65, B.A. 1565, student of the Inner Temple in 1569, as of Horwood, Devon (Foster). Another M.A. 1569 Clare Coll. Camb.; another B.A. 1569–70 Trin. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[6] **Stevenson.** Scholaris rusalis et praedicator publicus. Proctor (1604 return). Ordained by Thos Bentham, Vicarage worth £20 in 1604.

[6] **Rowley.** See note 23.

[7] **Baddeley.** M.A. 1607 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn). Perhaps curate of Eilston chapel c. 1622 and/or preb. of Tata major 1625–7. By orders of the committee for plundered ministers dated 28 May and 11 Sep. 1647 Baddeley and the minister at Charnes had been granted an augmentation—amount not stated—out of the impropriate (prebend) of Ecclesiall, sequestered from Lady . . . Hill, papist and delinquent, which they did not receive because so, had been granted out of the same to the minister of Biddulph. Hence a new order was made by the aforenamed committee dated 17 Mar. 1647–8, by which Baddeley was to have the first charge upon the same. (Bod. MS. 323, p. 219.)

[8] **Wyrley.** Worley, Wyrley. Became vicar on 29 May 1622 (Par. Reg.); chosen registrar for the parish in 1650; buried at Chebsey. One Edw Wirley matriculated 1629 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[9] **Cook.** See **Adbaston** and **Whitmore.**

[10] **Walwood.** Died in 1668 (Blackburn). Very doubtful if Walwood were vicar here, for Cook is definitely stated to be the immediate predecessor of Forde (George), and Forde was instituted on the resignation—not the death—of a former vicar (Dioc. Reg.).

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[14] **Jackson.** See **High Offley.**

[15] **Ingram.** Angrom. Buried at Ashley, will pr. 8 Feb. 1613–6 (P. C. C. 44, Fid).

[16] **Shaw.** See **Maxeyey Ridware.**

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[18] **Roades.** Last incumbent here (1651–2 return). An augmentation granted to the minister of Charnes in 1649 (see note 7).

[19] **Bowyer.** Presented by Katharine Yong, widow, 10 Nov. 1657, admitted by the commissioners 12 Feb. 1657–8. (Lamb. MS. 908, p. 120.)

[20] **Beche.** *See* **Maer.**

[21] **Cope,** Cowap. No preacher, (lay) reader, miller, salary 40*s.* (1604 *return*). Perhaps reader at Maer 1614-15. *See* **Whitmore.**

[22] **Cank.** Buried at Forton in 1647.

[23] **Rowley.** Perhaps identical with a B.A. of this name who was ordained deacon and priest on 13 July 1662 and became the curate of Codsall, where he was buried in 1667. Possibly a relation of the vicar 1606-30.

[24] **Corbett.** *See* **Caverswall.**

EDINGALE CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel approp. to the preb. of Alrewas and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Certified in May and June 1548 to be an ancient chapel of ease "in manner of" a parish church, endowed with "all manner of" tithes—except corn—of the township of Edingale, valued at 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* net p.a. (*b, c*) or 2*l.* 18*s.* 10*d.* (*r*) to find a curate for this chapel, distant 2 miles from the parish church of Alrewas (*b, c*). No plate or goods belonged to this chapel in May 1548 (*b*).

Ordered by the commissioners on 20 July 1548 that this ancient chapel should continue and be served by the curate at a salary of 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*[1]

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 saie cope; 3 altar cloths; 3 vestments; 1 wood cross; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 1 basin and ewer of maslyn; 2 bells; 1 hand bell; 1 surplice. **Chap. wds.:** John Browne & John Wilson.

CURATES

occ. 1548		curate[1]
occ. 1604	bur. 8 May 1643	Geo Boydell[2]
8 May 1643	bur. 1 Jan. 1646-7?	Francis Birch M.A.?[3]
	bur. 4 Aug. 1669	Thos Wilson

LIGHTS

Certified in 1548 that the inhabitants of this township had purchased certain lands, etc., from one John Warde, worth 4*s.* 6*d.* net p.a., the profits of which they employed about the common necessaries or reparations of the chapel or in the maintenance of lights, banners, torches and such like (*b*).

[20] Beeche. See Maer.

[21] Cope, Cowap. No preacher, (lay) reader, miller, salary 40s. (1694 return). Perhaps reader at Maer 1614-15. See Whitimere.

[22] Cank. Buried at Forton in 1692.

[23] Rowley. Perhaps identical with a R.A. of this name who was ordained deacon and priest on 13 July 1662 and became the curate of Codsall, where he was buried in 1667. Possibly a relation of the vicar 1605-30.

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LIGHTS

Certified in 1548 that the inhabitants of this township had purchased certain lands, etc., from one John Warde, worth 4s. 6d. net p.a., the profits of which they employed about the common necessaries or reparations of the chapel or in the maintenance of lights, banners, torches and such like (b).

NOTES

[1] *Grants*. Curate not named.

[2] **Boydell.** No preacher, salary 4*l*. (1604 *return*).

[3] **Birch.** M.A. 1632 Oriel Coll. Ox., son of John Birch of Aston, Staffs. (*Foster*). Ordained priest by Morton 5 Mar. 1630-1. Said to have been buried here as stated (*Stebbing Shaw*). *See* **Harlaston Chapel.**

ELFORD

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 6 vestments, 1 of divers coloured silk with albe & amice, 1 of white & red saie with albe, 1 of white & blue fustian, 1 of "rawed" saie with albe, 1 of white fustian, 1 of silk with albe; 1 silk cope; 4 altar cloths; 2 towels; 2 corporals with silk cases; 2 pewter cruets; 1 gilt timber cross; 2 front cloths for the altar; 1 brass pyx; 1 brass censer; 2 bells; 1 sacring bell. **Ch. wds.:** Christopher Mere & Wm Mere.

Patrons: 1401 Sir John de Ardene kt and Margaret his wife (*S. H. C.*, XI, p. 211), 1561-1604 Sir John Bowes kt M.P. and John Brookes, 1622 Jas Higgins, 1624 Wm Brookes, 1672 Mary Bowes widow.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	ob. 4 Sep. 1557	Hum Stanley [1]
14 Aug. 1561	depr. 1567	Thos More [2]
15 Dec. 1567	bur. 10 Nov. 1584	Hugh Ashbury
18 Feb. 1584-5	bur. 14 Jan. 1621-2	John Hill [3]
13 Jan. 1621-2	bur. 9 Dec. 1624	Robt Tomlinson B.A. [4]
22 Dec. 1624	bur. 15 July 1672	Robt Dowley M.A. [5]
7 Aug. 1672	bur. 6 Nov. 1714	Thos Moore B.A.

CURATES

occ. 1533	Wm Torlton
occ. 1650-6	Rich Dowley B.D. [6]

THE HOLY CROSS CHANTRY

Certified in 1546-8 that this chantry had been founded by Sir John Stanley kt, for one priest to sing divine service

NOTES

[1] Grants. Curate not named.

[2] Bayfield. No preacher, entry 4/. (1604 return).

[3] Birch, M.A. 1632 Oriel Coll. Ox., son of John Birch of Aston, Staffs. (Foster). Ordained priest by Morton 5 Mar. 1632-3. Said to have been buried here as stated (Stabling Stone); See Harlaston Chapel.

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in the chapel of Holy Cross within the parish church; that it was endowed with property of the clear yearly value of 4*l.* 8*s.* 6½*d.* (*a*) or 4*l.* 19*s.* 6½*d.* (*b*) or 6*l.* 6*s.* 0½*d.* (*c*) or 6*l.* 4*s.* 9*d.* (*r*); also with a priest's dwelling house worth 2*s.* yearly (*a*); that there was no plate but some ornaments worth 6*s.* 11*d.* (*b*); that the priest's salary in 1546 was 3*l.* 19*s.* 5*d.* (*a*), in 1548 4*l.* 2*s.* 5*d.* (*c*). In June 1549 a further? little parcel of land in Tutbury worth 8*d.* yearly is certified (*e*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48 John Wryght[7]

LIGHT

Certified in June 1549 that there was one close called S. Mary's Hay in Tymmore worth 3*s.* 4*d.* net p.a. that had been given to maintain a light before the image of Our Lady in the church. Since the abolition of lights in 1545 the rent had been employed upon the common necessaries of the church (*e*).

NOTES

[1] **Stanley.** *See* **Clifton Campville.** The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 was not paid (19-506).

[2] **More.** *See* **Ronton.**

[3] **Hill.** Scholaris ruralis et praedicator publicus. Preacher (1602-4 *returns*), ordained by Wm, bp of Llandaff, founded a school and charity here in 1613, will pr. 16 Jan. 1621-2.

[4] **Tomlinson.** B.A. 1611 Exeter Coll. Ox., born in co. Warw. (*Foster*). Curate at Maer c. 1615-22.

[5] **Dowley** (Robt). B.A. 1607 Queen's Coll. Ox., M.A. 1610 S. Mary Hall, Ox., born in co. Stafford (*Foster*). Signed testimony in 1648, paid subsidy of 3*l.* in Jan. 1661-2.

[6] **Dowley** (Rich). Son of John Dowley of Alveston, co. Warw., educated at All Souls and Magd. Hall, Ox., B.A. 1643 (*Foster*). Assistant to his uncle here till he became minister of Stoke Prior, Worc., in 1656. Ejected thence in 1662, licensed to hold meetings at his own house in 1672 in accordance with the declaration of indulgence. After the Toleration Act of 1689 he preached at Godalming and died in 1702 (*D. N. B.*).

[7] **Wryght.** Granted a pension of 4*l.* 2*s.* 5*d.* in 1548, which was paid for many years (*p, q*). As "sacerdos" buried at Tamworth 10 Ap. 1578, of which church he may have been vicar.

ELLASTONE

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D., formerly approp. to the Prior & Convent of Calwich.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 great bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 2 hand bells; 2 sacring bells; 2 embroidered silk copes; 2 silk vestments; 5 albes; 2 "caunter-cottes"; 4 altar cloths; 6 towels; 2 candlesticks; 2 pewter basins; 2 censers; 2 crosses; 1 brass pyx; 1 surplice; 1 veil for Lent; 5 linen banner cloths; 2 pewter cruets; 1 cerecloth; 1 pewter basin & ewer; 1 brass bucket. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Lee & Rich Walkar.

Patrons: 1578 till 1646 the Fleetwoods, 1645-59 Parliament, etc., 1662 Thos Rothwell.

VICARS

	w.p. 27 May 1522	Robt Snelston
occ. 1533-54		Nicholas Stokes [1]
	bur. 18 Feb. 1577-8	Wm Newbie [2]
28 Ap. 1578	bur. 31 Jan. 1610-1	John Knight [3]
23 May 1611	eject. 1645	John Hill [4]
23 Dec. 1645	res. 29 Sep. 1651?	Wm Langley M.A. [5]
c. 1 Nov. 1651	occ. Feb. 1652-3	Rich Peake [6]
17 Nov. 1653		John Flower M.A. [7]
25 Ap. 1659	occ. 1660	Abraham Smith [8]
occ. Jan. 1661-2	ob. 1697	James Maddock B.A. [9]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1548 that this Service had been endowed (1) by John Orton with a tenement and garden worth 2*s.* net p.a.; (2) by divers of the parishioners with 5*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* in ready money, 20 kine and heiffers worth 12*l.*, 2 sheep worth 6*s.* 8*d.* and 10*l.* in "cattell desperate" (i.e. big cattle worth 10*l.*)? (*b*). Circa 1550 the endowment of this stipendiary priest was valued at 6*s.* 8*d.* (*r*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533	Wm Sutton [10]

LAMP

Certified in 1548 that the ancestors of Thos Lowe had given a parcell of ground of the yearly value of 4*s.* 8*d.* for a lamp in this church (*b*).

ELLASTONE

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Lock D, formerly approp. to the Prior & Convent of Calwich.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 great bells (s); 1 sanctus bell; 2 hand bells; 2 sacring bells; 2 embroidered silk copes; 2 silk vestments; 5 albes; 2 "cantercottes"; 4 altar cloths; 6 towels; 2 candlesticks; 2 pewter basins; 2 censers; 2 crosses; 1 brass pyx; 1 surplice; 1 veil for Lent; 5 linen banner cloths; 2 pewter cruets; 1 corcloth; 1 pewter basin & ewer; 1 brass bucket. Ch. wds.: Wm Lee & Rich Walker.

Patrons: 1578 till 1646 the Bloetwoods, 1643-50 Parliament, etc., 1662 Thos Rothwell.

VICARS

occ. 1533-54	w.p. 27 May 1542	Robt Snelston
		Nicholas Stokes[1]
	bur. 18 Feb. 1577-8	Wm Newble[2]
28 Ap. 1578	bur. 31 Jan. 1610-1	John Knight[3]
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23 Dec. 1643	res. 20 Sep. 1652?	Wm Langley M.A.[5]
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INCUMBENT

occ. 1533	Wm Sutton[10]

LAMP

Certified in 1548 that the ancestors of Thos Lowe had given a parcell of ground of the yearly value of 4s. 8d. for a lamp in this church (4).

NOTES

[1] **Stokes.** Occurs as vicar in 1533 return, in the wills of John Cootes, pr. 1537, and Thos Cootes, pr. 15 Sep. 1554. Name incorrectly printed as Smith in *Valor*.

[2] **Newbie,** Newbey, Nubye, etc. Will pr. 26 Mar. 1578.

[3] **Knight.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris mediocriter imbutus. No preacher, ignorant (1604 *return*); ordained by Wm, bp of Chester, will pr. 6 Feb. 1610-1.

[4] **Hill.** On 4 Oct. 1645 the committee for plundered ministers ordered Hill to appear before the committee of parliament for the county of Stafford to answer certain articles of complaint that had been made against him. As Hill refused to appear, the vicarage was sequestered from him on 23 Dec. 1645 for his notorious malignancy against Parliament. (*Add. MS.* 15669, pp. 359, 522, 537, 539.) One of this name was minister of the adjoining parish of Rocester 1647-50. Hill was dead before the institution of Maddock. (*Dioc. Reg.*)

[5] **Langley.** M.A. 1633 Camb., M.A. 1634 Ox., son of Wm Langley of Berks (*Foster, Venn*). Signed testimony 1648, described as a godly and orthodox divine by committee for plundered ministers, rector of Checkley, q.v., in July and August 1645, rector of Cheadle 1649-51, resigned Cheadle and Ellastone on his appointment in 1651 as joint minister at Lichfield, q.v. Appointed vicar of Ellastone 23 Dec. 1645 by the aforesaid committee and approved of by the committee of the Assembly of Divines. (*Add. MS.* 15669, pp. 537, 539.) On 30 May 1646 the committee for plundered ministers found that this vicarage was worth but 20*l.* p.a., so it granted to Langley all the tithes of this rectory, worth 63*l.* p.a., sequestered from Sir Rich Fleetwood, less 13*l.* payable therefrom by Langley to the State. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 266.) On 6 June 1651 this committee varied this order by granting Langley two-thirds of these rectorial tithes, then said to be worth 80*l.* p.a., which had been sequestered from Sir Thos Fleetwood, papist, son and heir of the late Sir Rich. On 4 Aug. 1652 this committee ordered this augmentation of 80*l.* to be paid to Langley up to 29 Sep. 1651, perhaps the exact date of his appointment to Lichfield. (*Bod. MSS.* 328, p. 398; cf. 324, p. 257; *S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. II, pp. 496, 555.)

[6] **Peake.** Perhaps matriculated 1640 S. Alban Hall, Ox. If so, son of Wm Peake of Sheinton, Salop? (*Foster*). "Settled" here by the committee for plundered ministers on 26 May 1652, but granted the 80*l.* augmentation from the beginning of Nov. 1651, the date when he first began to officiate here. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. II, pp. 426, 494, 496, 499; *Bod. MSS.* 328, p. 439, and 329, p. 448.)

[7] **Flower.** Son of Wm Flower of Cubley, Derbs.; B.A. 1647 New

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Inn Hall, Ox.; created M.A. by the parliamentary visitors in 1648; appointed to this living by the Council of State. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* XLI, p. 154, No. 16.) A well-known puritan divine, preached at Ilmington, co. Warw., and Staunton, co. Notts. (*Foster* and *D. N. B.*)

[8] **Smith.** Probably matriculated 1655 All Souls, Ox. (*Foster*). Presented to this vicarage by Richard, lord Protector, and approved by the commissioners. (*Lamb. MS.* 947, No. 44.) Probably ordained deacon and priest at Lichfield on 13 July 1662, when curate of the neighbouring village of Osmaston, Ashbourne.

[9] **Maddock.** B.A. 1658 Brasenose Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). Paid a subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* from this vicarage in Jan. 1661-2, though not instituted until 31 Dec. 1662, when the living is said to be vacant by the death of John Hill (*Dioc. Reg.*). Langley, Peake, Flower and Smith were evidently not recognized as lawful vicars by the bishop.

[10] **Sutton.** Possibly became canon of Burton, q.v., and/or curate of Gnosall, buried there 6 July 1573. One of this name student in 1521 at Gray's Inn, M.A. 1525 Ox. (*Foster*).

ELLENHALL

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle D., formerly approp. to Ronton Priory, the prior of which stood charged to find a curate to serve the chapel here, to pay him 40*s.* in money & to find him meat & drink in the Priory.[1]

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 1 cope; 3 vestments; 2 albes; 2 amices; 2 fans; 2 stoles; 2 corporal cases; 1 latten cross; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 2 lead cruets; 3 altar cloths; 4 towels; 1 sheet; 1 maslyn pyx; 1 surplice. **Ch. wds.:** Rich Alkins & John Chatman.

CURATES

occ. 1533		John Beche[2]
	(bur. 12 Jan. 1571-2	Hum Huntbache)?[3]
occ. 1599	w.p. 2 Ap. 1624	Francis Alsop[4]
c. 3 Dec. 1643	occ. 1647	Edward Cowper[5]
occ. 1651-2	occ. 1664	Thos Mason[6]
c. 1665	bur. 19 Aug. 1684	Simon Atkin[7]
c. 1684	occ. 1702	Daniel Shocwell?

Inn Hall, Ox.; created M.A. by the parliamentary visitors in 1648; appointed to this living by the Council of State. (S. P. Dom. Inter. XII, p. 154, No. 16.) A well-known puritan divine, preached at Uminghton, co. Warw., and Shawton, co. Notts. (Foster and D. N. B.)

[8] Smith. Probably matriculated 1655 All Souls, Ox. (Foster). Presented to this vicarage by Richard, lord Protector, and approved by the commissioners. (Lansd. MS. 994, No. 44.) Probably ordained deacon and priest at Lichfield on 15 July 1662, when curate of the neighbouring village of Osmaston, Ashbourne.

[9] Maddock, B.A. 1658 Brasenose Coll. Ox. (Foster). Paid a subsidy of 6s. 8d. from this vicarage in Jan. 1661-2. Clergy not instituted until 31 Dec. 1662, when the living is said to be vacant by the death of John Hill (Dioc. Reg.). Langley, Peake, Flower and Smith were evidently not recognized as lawful vicars by the bishop.

[10] Sutton. Possibly became canon of Bretton, q.v., and/or curate of Ormskill, buried there 6 July 1597. One of this name student in 1571 at Gray's Inn, M.A. 1583 Ox. (Foster).

ELLERNHALL

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle D., formerly appropr. to Renton Priory, the prior of which stood charged to find a curate to serve the chapel here, to pay him 40s. in money & to find him meat & drink in the Priory.[1]

Cl. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 bells (s); 1 sanctus bell; 1 cope; 3 vestments; 2 albes; 2 amices; 2 fans; 2 stoles; 2 corporal cases; 1 latten cross; 2 masslyn candlesticks; 2 lead crusts; 3 altar cloths; 4 towels; 1 sheet; 1 masslyn pyx; 1 surplice. Ch. wds.: Rich. Atkins & John Clitman.

CURATES

	occ. 1553	John Becke[2]
		(bur. 12 Jan. 1571-2 Hum Hunthacke)[3]
	occ. 1599 w.p. 2 Ap. 1624	Francis Atsop[4]
c. 3 Dec. 1643	occ. 1647	Edward Cowper[5]
	occ. 1651-2 occ. 1661	Thos Mason[6]
c. 1665	bur. 10 Aug. 1684	Simon Atkin[7]
c. 1684	occ. 1702	Daniel Showell[8]

NOTES

[1] *Aug. Misc. Bk.* 195, p. 40. The curate here was regularly paid a salary of 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* by the Exchequer from 1559 onwards. (*Ministers' Accounts, Eliz.* 2015 *et seq.*) Very probably this had been granted at the dissolution of Ronton Priory.

[2] **Beche,** Beech. *See* **Maer.**

[3] **Huntbache.** Described as "Sir" in burial register, the usual prefix for priests at this time.

[4] **Alsop.** Alsopp. Scholaris ruralis, divinis litteris incumbens. No preacher, no degree (1602-4 *returns*), reader, "readeth commonly in a gentleman's house each Sabbath," very unlearned, also curate of Ronton (1604 *return*). Ordained priest by Wm Overton 18 Mar. 1591-2 (1593 *return*). His salary as curate of Ellenhall 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, of Ronton 5*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (1602 *return*).

[5] **Cowper.** *See* **Marston.**

[6] **Mason.** *See* **Chebsey.** Also curate of Ronton.

[7] **Atkin.** Also curate of Ronton. Gregory King says that his predecessor was . . . Martin of Stafford, who resigned c. 1666 by reason of age and infirmity.

ENSON CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle D. It formerly belonged to Stafford collegiate church, which no doubt maintained the priest here.

In 1563 there were 3 households here.

This chapel is only mentioned in the returns of 1533 and 1563 and was annexed to that of Salt early in the reign of Elizabeth.

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533 Hen Malabar

ENVILLE

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D.

Ch. Orn., 15 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 2 cruets; 1 white fustian cope; 2 vestments; 2 altar cloths; 3 towels; 1 pax; 4 great bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 1 corporal with case; 2 brass crosses. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Aston & Thos Kyrcum, who say that a piece of silver at the rood's foot had been lost.

Patrons: 1571 Thos Whorwood, 1604 Mr Whorwood, 1619 John Fowke.

NOTES

[1] Aug. Misc. BA. 195, p. 40. The curate here was regularly paid a salary of £1. 13s. 4d. by the Exchequer from 1559 onwards. (Ministers' Accounts. Ells. 2015 et seq.) Very probably this had been granted at the dissolution of Routon Priory.

[2] Beche, Becch. See Mast.

[3] Hunthache. Described as "Sir" in burial register, the usual prefix for priests at this time.

[4] Alsop. Alsopp. Scholaris rusalis, divinis litteris incumbens. No preacher, no degree (1601-4 returns), reader, "readeth commonly in a gentleman's house each Sabbath," very unlearned, also curate of Routon (1601 return). Ordained priest by Wm Overton 12 Mar. 1591-2 (1593 return). His salary as curate of Ellenhall £1. 13s. 4d., of Routon £1. 13s. 4d. (1603 return).

[5] Cowper. See Marston.

[6] Mason. See Chebsey. Also curate of Routon.

[7] Atkin. Also curate of Routon. Gregory King says that his predecessor was . . . Martin of Stafford, who resigned c. 1605 by reason of age and infirmity.

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Patrons: 1571: Thos Wilmorwood, 1604 Mr Wilmorwood, 1619 John Fowke.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	ob. 1538	Rich Egerton B.A. [1]
12 Ap. 1538	w.p. 12 Sep. 1571	Rich Whorwood [2]
4 Dec. 1571	w.p. 23 Oct. 1592	Rich Garbett [3]
4 Feb. 1592-3		James Green M.A. [4]
9 July 1594		Rich Ashton [5]
3 Feb. 1596-7	ob. 1619?	John Columbyne B.D. [6]
3 July 1619	bur. 13 Nov. 1658	Anthony Fowke M.A. [7]
Jan. 1658-9 ff.	occ. 1681	Lancelot Bromwich B.A. [8]

CURATES

occ. 1533	Thos Dasshewyn [9]
occ. 1568-9	John Robins? [10]
occ. 1573-76	Hum Aston [11]
occ. 1586	Rich Rothwell [12]
occ. 1620	John Evans
occ. 1632-40	Edw Archer M.A. [13]
occ. 1651-2	Joseph Rocke [14]

THE CHANTRY OF BLESSED MARY

Certified in 1546 that this chantry had been founded by Philip Lutley, temp. Edw. I, to find a priest to sing daily divine service at the altar of Our Lady within the church. The gross income is stated as 8*l.* 12*s.* 5*d.* p.a. and there was a mansion house for the incumbent " now unletten " worth 10*s.* p.a., other goods mentioned in an inventory, but no plate or jewels (*a*). In May 1548 these goods or ornaments are valued at 1*s.* 3*d.* and the net endowment is given as 8*l.* 17*s.* 11*d.* p.a. (*b*), and c. 1550 at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (*r*).

In 1427 and 1540 the advowson of this chantry was settled by the owners of the manor of Lutley. [15]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5	Hugh Gamwell [16]
occ. June 1548	Wm Spittell (*c*) [17]

LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that there was a cottage and lands here given by Isabel Brauntley, wid., to maintain the paschal light, to repair the church and for other uses, worth 3*s.* 4*d.* net p.a. (*e*).

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occ. 1533	ob. 1538	Rich Egerton B.A.[1]
12 Ap. 1538	w.p. 12 Sep. 1571	Rich Wherwood[2]
4 Dec. 1571	w.p. 23 Oct. 1592	Rich Garbett[3]
4 Feb. 1592-3		James Green M.A.[4]
9 July 1594		Rich Ashton[5]
3 Feb. 1596-7	ob. 1619?	John Columbyne B.D.[6]
3 July 1619	bur. 13 Nov. 1658	Anthony Bewke M.A.[7]
Jan. 1658-9 ff.	occ. 1681	Lancelot Bromwich B.A.[8]

CURATES

occ. 1533 — Thos Dassilewyn[9]
occ. 1568-9 — John Robins?[10]
occ. 1573-76 — Hum Aston[11]
occ. 1586 — Rich Kentwell[12]
occ. 1620 — John Evans
occ. 1632-40 — Edw Archer M.A.[13]
occ. 1651-2 — Joseph Rocke[14]

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INCUMBENTS

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occ. June 1548 — Wm Spittell (c)[17]

LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that there was a cottage and land, here given by Isabel Brunutley, wid., to maintain the perpetual light; to repair the church and for other uses, worth 3s. 4d. net p.a. (a).

LUTLEY CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563 or subsequently.

The chapel of S. Michael at Lutley was endowed by Philip de Lutley in or before 1367.[18]

NOTES

[1] **Egerton.** Preb. of Dassett parva 1487-8, of Weeford 1488-1506, of Whittington 1506-38, master of S. John Bap. Hospital, Lichfield, 1507-36 and of S. John Bap. Hospital, Stafford, occ. 1535-8, rector of Stoke-on-Trent occ. 1533-8, of Stone occ. 1535-8 and of Ingestre occ. 1533-8. All his rectories were served by curates and in 1535 he was living at Lichfield (*Valor*).

[2] **Whorwood,** Horwood or Harwood. Subscribed in 1559.

[3] **Garbett.** Vicar of Wombourn 1561-92.

[4] **Green.** M.A. 1592 Oriel Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). In sacris litteris bene exercitatus et ad docendam plebem habilis et idoneus, commoner of Staffordshire, ordained priest by Wm Overton 22 Jan. 1592-3, instituted by him to this rectory a fortnight later.

[5] **Ashton.** Presented by the Crown. *See* **Leigh.**

[6] **Columbyne.** Fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1586, B.D. c. 1597 (*Venn*). Preacher, pluralist, non-resident (1604 *return*). Perhaps died 1619, as Fowke was appointed on the death of a former rector, not named. Rectory worth 100*l.* in 1604.

[7] **Fowke.** M.A. 1618 Queen's Coll. Ox., armiger of co. Stafford (*Foster*). Presented by John Fowke 3 July, instituted 23 July, found a lunatic c. 1628. Archer appointed by bishop to take charge of parish in 1632. In 1633 Archer petitioned for the assignment of competent means out of this rectory. (*S. P. Dom. Chas. I*, vol. CCLV, p. 14.)

[8] **Bromwich.** B.A. 1648 Magd. Hall, Ox., son of Francis Bromwich of Bewdley (*Foster*), paid subsidy of 3*l.* in Jan. 1661-2, ordained both deacon and priest 4 Mar. 1661-2.

[9] **Dasshewyn,** Dasshefen, Dashwen. Paid tax of 6*s.* 2½*d.* in 1533. Party to an affray at Enville in 1533. (*S. H. C.*, X, n.s., pp. 141, 142; *ibid.* 1912, pp. 71, 72.)

[10] **Robins**? Name doubtful. Possibly B.A. 1562 Ox. (*Foster*). Paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1568? 1569 (19-516, 519). *See* **Wolverhampton.**

[11] **Aston.** Paid same 1573-6 (19-522, 526).

[12] **Rothwell.** Paid same in 1586 (19-533).

[13] **Archer.** *See note* 7.

[14] **Rocke.** *See* **Rowley Regis.**

[15] *S. H. C.*, XI, pp. 229, 282.

[16] **Gamwell,** Gamull. Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

LUTLEY CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1503 or subsequently.

The chapel of S. Michael at Lutley was endowed by Philip de Lutley in or before 1307.[1]

NOTES

[1] **Egerton**, Treb. of Dassett prior 1485-8, of Wooford 1488-1506, of Whittington 1506-38, master of S. John Bap. Hospital, Lichfield, 1507-36 and of S. John Bap. Hospital, Stafford, occ. 1535-8, rector of Stoke-on-Trent occ. 1533-8; of Stone occ. 1533-8 and of Ingestre occ. 1533-8. All his rectories were served by curates and in 1535 he was living at Lichfield (Tudor).

[2] **Wherwood**, Harwood or Harewood. Subscribed in 1559.

[3] **Garbett**, Vicar of Wombourn 1501-02.

[4] **Green**, M.A. 1592 (Oriel Coll. Ox. (Foster)). In sacris litteris bene exercitatus et ad docendam plecem habilis et idoneus, commoner of Staffordshire, ordained priest by Wm Overton 22 Jan. 1592-3, instituted by him to this rectory a fortnight later.

[5] **Ashton**. Presented by the Crown. See Leigh.

[6] **Columbyne**, Fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1568, B.D. c. 1597 (Venn). Preacher, plurelist, non-resident (1604 return). Perhaps died 1619, as Fowke was appointed on the death of a former rector, not named. Rectory worth 100l. in 1604.

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[8] **Bromwich**, B.A. 1645 Magd. Hall, Ox., son of Francis Bromwich of Bewdley (Foster), paid subsidy of 3l. in Jan. 1661-2, unfaitned both deacon and priest 4 Mar. 1661-2.

[9] **Dassalewyn**, Dasselein, Dashwen. Paid tax of 6s. 8d. in 1333. Party to an affray at Enville in 1333. (S. R. C., x, n.s., pp. 142, 172; ibid. 1272, pp. 272, 75.)

[10] **Robins**; Name doubtful. Possibly B.A. 1564 Ox. (Foster). Paid subsidy of 6s. 8d. in 1589? 1589 (19-210, 219). See Wolverhampton.

[11] **Aston**. Paid same 1573-6 (19-322, 320).

[12] **Rothwell**. Paid same in 1586 (19-333).

[13] **Archer**. See note 7.

[14] **Rocke**. See Rowley Regis.

[15] S. R. C., xi, pp. 229, 232.

[16] **Gamwell**, Gamell. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1333.

[17] **Spittell.** Party to the affray of Dasshewyn (*see note* 9). In 1548 had a salary of 7*l.* 14*s.* 7*d.* (*c*) and received a pension that year of 6*l.* (*p*).

[18] **Lutley.** *S. H. C.*, 1913, p. 333.

FAREWELL

In 1563 a church, without any annexed chapels, approp. to the dean and chapter of Lich., since 28 Aug. 1527, and subject to their peculiar jurisdiction. The church was formerly a part of the Benedictine Nunnery here. In 1528 the chaplain's stipend was 8 marks p.a.[1]

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice, with paten; 1 pyx; 2 corporal cloths with cases; 4 silk vestments with albes, coloured white, red, yellow, & blue; 3 altar cloths; 1 painted cloth frontal; 1 towel; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 1 maslyn cross; 2 pewter cruets; 1 blue cope; 1 surplice; 3 little bells (*s*), one of them broken in pieces; 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell. **Ch. wds.:** John Heathcote & Thos Adye.

In 1604 there were many " popish " here.

CURATES

(occ. 1533	Thos Baynes)?[2]
(before 1547	Hen Wylshawe)?[3]
occ. 1552	John Wareton (*n*)
occ. 1604	a curate[4]
occ. 1647-1652	Wm Smith[5]
(occ. 1651-2	Andrew Willmott)?[6]
occ. 1666	Antony Sherley[7]

ROOD LIGHT

Discovered in 1552-3 that there was a house and croft here let to Hugh Barlow for a rent of 8*d.* (*h, l*) or 5*s.* (*n*) which had been given to maintain a rood light in this church (*h, l, n*).

NOTES

[1] *Cox*, p. 93.

[2] **Baynes.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as curate of Chorley in 1533. There is no evidence that any church or chapel at Chorley ever existed. Probably Baynes lived at the hamlet of Chorley, which is within the parish of Farewell, just as the vicar of Farewell does to-day, and

[11] Spittell. Paid to the allray of Dassbewyn (see note 9). In 1548 had a salary of 7l. 14s. 7d. (e) and received a pension that year of 6l. (f).

[12] Lutley, S. H. C., 1913, p. 333.

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(occ. 1651-2	Andrew Willimott)?[6]
occ. 1668	Antony Shelley[7]

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Discovered in 1532-3 that there was a house and croft here let to Hugh Barlow for a rent of 8d. (d, l) or 5s. (n) which had been given to maintain a rood light in this church (h, l, n).

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hence was inaccurately described as curate of Chorley instead of Farewell. Perhaps vicar of Wednesbury 1547-8.

[3] **Wylshawe.** *See* **Lichfield.** Described as lately rector of Farewell on 22 Mar. 1547-8 (*Act Bk.* IV, p. 142), collected rents here in 1550 (*ibid.* p. 155), probably not the resident curate here.

[4] **Curate.** Not named, no preacher, salary of 6*l.* paid by Mr Paget (1604 *return*).

[5] **Smith.** On 10 Nov. 1647 the committee for plundered ministers made him a grant of 46*l.* p.a. from the impropriate rectory of Farewell and Chorley to augment his former stipend of 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* This was regularly paid until October 1652, when it was increased to 50*l.* (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. ii, p. 606; *Bod. MSS.* 325, pp. 217, 218; 326, p. 292; 328, p. 212; *Sion MS.*, p. 492; *Lamb. MSS.* 976, p. 323; 978, p. 624; *Shaw*, II, p. 543). In 1659 Smith is mentioned as the late incumbent here (*Lamb. MS.* 994, p. 142). Many of this name were graduates.

[6] **Willmott.** Mentioned as curate in return of 1651-2, but this appears to be a mistake. *See last note.*

[7] **Sherley.** Matriculated All Souls, Ox., ordained deacon 21 Feb. 1663-4, signed these transcripts as curate in 1666.

FORTON

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 partly gilt chalice with paten; 1 latten pyx; 1 ivory box garnished with silver; 1 small partly gilt box; 3 corporals with cases; 10 vestments, 1 of white Bruges satin, 1 of white fustian, 3 old ones of silk, 5 old ones of dornick; 2 silk tunacles; 3 albes; 3 copes; 1 of green Bruges satin, 2 of silk; 8 plain table cloths; 1 surplice; 1 rochet; 1 copper cross; 1 pair of censers & a ship of latten; 2 latten candlesticks; 1 latten chrismatory; 1 brass holywater stock; 2 tin cruets; 3 small bells; 1 sanctus bell; 3 sacring bells; 1 hand bell; 4 towels.

Patrons: In 1372 (*see S. H. C.*, X, n.s., p. 136); in 1547 (*see S. H. C.*, XII, p. 199); 1555 Rich Yonge; 1570 John Blower and John Sutton; 1582 Thos Skrymshire; 1654 Gerard Skrymsher.

RECTORS

	ob. 1528	Rich Kynge
4 Jan. 1528-9	w.p. 15 May 1555	Wm Branthwayte [1]
21 Mar. 1554-5 ff.	bur. 14 Nov. 1570	Hum Lee [2]

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[a] Smith. On 10 Nov. 1617 the committee for plundered ministers made him a grant of 4l. p.a. from the impropriate rectory of Farewell and Chorley to augment his former stipend of 5l. 6s. 8d. This was regularly paid until October 1652, when it was increased to 50l. (S. P. Dom. Inter. E. 2, pt. ii, p. 606; Bod. MSS. 325, pp. 217, 218; 326, p. 202; 328, p. 212; Sion MS., p. 192; Lamb. MSS. 970, p. 323; 978, p. 224; Shaw, ii, p. 543). In 1650 Smith is mentioned as the late incumbent here (Lamb. MS. 994, p. 122). Many of this name were graduates.

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Patrons: In 1272 (see S. H. C., x, n.s., p. 136); in 1547 (see S. H. C., xii, p. 199); 1555 Rich Yonge; 1570 John Hilmer and John Sutton; 1585 Thos Skrymshire; 1654 Gerard Skrymsher.

RECTORS

	ob. 1528		Rich Yonge
4 Jan. 1528-9	w.p.	15 May 1555	Wm Drumbwayte[1]
21 Mar. 1554-5	ff.	bur. 14 Nov. 1570	Hum Lee[2]

16 Dec. 1570	res. 1582	Robt Sutton B.C.L.[3]
18 Dec. 1582	bur. 21 June 1635	Thos Martin[4]
8 July 1635 ff.	bur. 26 Dec. 1653	Edw Holbrook M.A.[5]
30 May 1654	bur. 17 Mar. 1672-3	Rich Leaves M.A.?[6]
28 Aug. 1673	bur. 10 Ap. 1697	Samuel Dugard M.A.[7]

CURATES

occ. 1559?	bur. 20 June 1572	John Widdowes[8]
	(occ. 1579-82	Edw Talbot)?[9]

LAMPS

Certified in 1548 that Roger Bragges had given 1 croft worth 12*d.* net p.a. for a lamp and that Robt Cokely had given lands worth 8*d.* net p.a. for a lamp (*b*). Circa 1550 and temp. Eliz the value is returned at 1*s.* 8*d.* (*r*), (*t*). Discovered in 1552-3 that the (first?) croft—called the Lamp Croft—which had been given for a lamp, was let to Eliz Penne, wid. for 12*d.* and that there were 4 butts of land in Barr Croft let to Humphrey Heyne for 4*d.*, which had been given to maintain the lamp afore the rood (*h, l, n*).

NOTES

[1] **Branthwayte,** Branwayte, Brainthwaite. Paid tax of 18*s.* in 1533. Rectory returned as vacant in Mary I (*Subsidy* 271-5).

[2] **Lee,** Lye. Instituted 5 Ap. 1555.

[3] **Sutton.** *See* **Stafford S. Mary.**

[4] **Martin.** Did not appear for examination in 1593. No preacher, very unlearned, of loose life (1604 *return*), paid first fruits twice, viz. on 5 Feb. 1582-3 and 2 Sep. 1584; married 1588 Joan Byhaye of Newport; will pr. 26 June 1635. Rectory worth 100*l.* in 1604.

[5] **Holbrook.** *See* **Abbots Bromley.**

[6] **Leaves.** Perhaps M.A. 1644 S. Edmund Hall, Ox., son of Wm Leaves of Wimborne, Dorset (*Foster*). Presented by Gerard Skrymsher with approbation of the commissioners (*Lamb. MS.* 997, pt. i, No. 109), paid subsidy of 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* in Jan. 1661-2.

[7] **Dugard.** Fellow of Trin. Coll. Ox., M.A. 1667, son of Thos Dugard of Barford, co. Warw.; preb. of Prees 16 Jan. 1696-7—Ap. 1697; wrote works on ethics, etc. (*D. N. B.*, *Foster*, etc.).

[8] **Widdowes,** Wyddons? Subscribed 1559, perhaps then curate here, buried as curate.

[9] **Talbot.** Incorrectly described as rector by Hutchinson. Probably curate, occurs as clerk in parish register.

16 Dec. 1570	res. 1582	Robt Sutton B.C.L.[1]
18 Dec. 1582	bur. 21 June 1633	Thos Martin[4]
8 July 1633 ff.	bur. 26 Dec. 1653	Edw Holbrook M.A.[5]
30 May 1654	bur. 17 Mar. 1672-3	Rich Leaves M.A.[6]
28 Aug. 1673	bur. 10 Ap. 1697	Samuel Dugard M.A.[7]

CURATES

occ. 1559?	bur. 20 June 1572	John Widdowes[8]
	(occ. 1570-82)	Edw Talbot(?)[9]

LAMPS

Certified in 1548 that Roger Bragges had given 1 croft worth 12d. net p.a. for a lamp and that Robt Coleby had given lands worth 8d. net p.a. for a lamp (b). Circa 1550 and temp. Eliz the value is returned at 12s. 8d. (c), (d). Discovered in 1552-3 that the (first?) croft—called the Lamp Croft—which had been given for a lamp, was let to Eliz Fenne, wid. for 12d. and that there were 4 butts of land in Barr Croft let to Humphrey Hoyne for 4d., which had been given to maintain the lamp afore the road (h, i, n).

NOTES

[1] **Brantlwayte.** Brantwayte, Brainthwaite. Paid tax of 12s. in 1533. Rector returned as vacant in May 1 (Salter 273-3).

[2] **Lee, Lye.** Instituted 5 Ap. 1555.

[3] **Sutton.** See Stafford S. Mary.

[4] **Martin.** Did not appear for examination in 1593. No preacher, very unlearned, of loose life (Hoq rawn), paid first fruits twice, viz. on 5 Feb. 1582-3 and 2 Sep. 1584; married 1588 Joan Hynaye of Newport; will pr. 26 June 1633. Rector worth 100l in 1604.

[5] **Holbrook.** See Abbots Bromley.

[6] **Leaves.** Perhaps M.A. 1644 S. Edmund Hall, Ox., son of Wm Leaves of Wimborne, Dorset (Foster). Presented by Gerard Skynner with approbation of the commissioners (Lamb MS. 907, pt. 1, No. 100), paid subsidy of 1l 10s. on 4d. in Jan. 1661-2.

[7] **Dugard.** Fellow of Trin. Coll. Ox., M.A. 1667, son of Thos Dugard of Barford, co. Warw.; pmb. of Trees 16 Jan. 1669-70—Ap. 1697; wrote works on ethics, etc. (D. N. B., Foster, etc.).

[8] **Widdowes.** Widdowes? Subscribed 1559, perhaps then curate here, buried as curate.

[9] **Talbot.** Incorrectly described as rector by Hutchinson; probably curate, occurs as clerk in parish register.

GAYTON

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution or any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D., formerly approp. to S. Thomas' Priory by Stafford.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 bells (*s*); 1 table cloth; 2 vestments without any thing to them; 1 surplice; 1 black russel cope; 1 vestment with all things thereto belonging. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Nover & Roger Sherrard.

CURATES

occ. 1533		Roger Henshawe [1]
occ. 1593	bur. 20 Mar. 1613-4	Geo. Granger [2]
15 Ap. 1614		Hen Salt [3]
occ. 1616-18		Rich Ferrett [4]
occ. 1620		Rich Kirke M.A.? [5]
1620	occ. 1623	John Stock
occ. 1628-1634		Hugh Cooper
1634	bur. 7 Mar. 1653-4	Geo Dixon [6]
14 July 1656		John Adams [7]
occ. 1665		Rich Fermeate [8]

NOTES

[1] **Henshawe.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533, when Gayton was in the deanery of Stafford and Stone.

[2] **Granger.** Did not appear for examination in 1593, no preacher, no degree, lewd, salary 6*l.* (1602-4 *returns*).

[3] **Salt.** Perhaps curate at Haughton c. 1610-14.

[4] **Ferrett.** Also curate of Weston-on-Trent.

[5] **Kirke.** Perhaps M.A. 1617 Magd. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[6] **Dixon.** On 25 June 1652 the committee for plundered ministers found that his maintenance here did not exceed 20*l.* p.a., so it granted him 22*l.* p.a. out of the impropriate tithes and the glebe land rents, which had been sequestered from Walter Fowler. (*S. P. Dom.* F. 2, pt. 11, p. 526; *Bod. MS.* 328, p. 149.) *See* **Ashley.**

[7] **Adams.** Admitted by the commissioners upon a nomination from the parishioners of Gayton. *See page* 211.

[8] **Fermeate.** As minister certifies the number of hearths here c. 1665.

GAYTON

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution or any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D., formerly appropr. to S. Thomas' Priory by Stafford.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 bells (2); 1 table cloth; 2 vestments without any thing to them; 1 surplice; 1 black russel cope; 1 vestment with all things thereto belonging. Ch. wds.: Thos Neyer & Roger Sherrard.

CURATES

occ. 1535	Roger Hensshaw [1]
occ. 1593 bur. 20 Mar. 1613-4	Geo. Granger [2]
15 Ap. 1614	Hen Salt [3]
occ. 1616-18	Rich Everett [4]
occ. 1620	Rich Kirke M.A.? [5]
1620 occ. 1623	John Stock
occ. 1628-1634	Hugh Cooper
1634 bur. 7 Mar. 1653-4	Geo Dixon [6]
14 July 1656	John Adams [7]
occ. 1665	Rich Ternwate [8]

NOTES

[1] **Hensshaw.** Paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1535, when Gayton was in the deanery of Stafford and Stone.

[2] **Granger.** Did not appear for examination in 1595, no preacher, no degree, lawd, salary 6l. (1603-4 relaxed).

[3] **Salt.** Perhaps curate at Hanghton c. 1610-14.

[4] **Everett.** Also curate of Weston-on-Trent.

[5] **Kirke.** Perhaps M.A. 1617 Magd. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[6] **Dixon.** On 25 June 1652 the committee for plundered ministers found that his maintenance here did not exceed 20l. p.a., so it granted him 22l. p.a. out of the impropriate tithes and the glebe land rents, which had been sequestered from Walter Fowler. (S. P. Dom. E. 2, pt. 11, p. 324; Rel. MS. 328, p. 149) See Ashley.

[7] **Adams.** Admitted by the commissioners upon a nomination from the parishioners of Gayton. See page 211.

[8] **Ternwate.** As minister certifies the number of hearths here c. 1665.

GNOSALL

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution or any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D. Formerly a Norman royal free chapel, which had been granted by King Stephen to the bishop of Lichfield, who thenceforward was the titular dean of the collegiate church here. Bp Hugh de Nonant bought from Richard I several privileges and exemptions for the chapter here, then under his control.

Certified in 1546 and 1548 that " The church collegiate or prebend of Gnosall commonly called the college of Gnosall " (*b*) had a dean—the bishop—and 4 prebendaries, but that the dean had not had any profits thereof, as the 4 prebs. were parsons (i.e. rectors) of the whole parish. The college with all the prebends had been appropriated to the bp of Lich. by letters patent of Henry VIII. Its value in 1546 was 47*l.* 2*s.* 11*d.*, whereof 42*l.* 5*s.* 8¼*d.* was paid to the 4 prebendaries as their salaries or stipends (*a*); in 1548 its value was 50*l.* 2*s.* 11*d.* net p.a. (*b, c*) and the following salaries were paid to the prebendaries, viz.:

5*l.* 12*s.* 3*d.* to the preb. of Mordhall (*c*).
6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to the preb. of Beverleyhall (*c*).
8*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.* to the preb. of Chyltrenhall (*c*).
5*l.* 18*s.* 0*d.* to the preb. of Sukerhall (*c*).

It then had no plate or goods (*a, b, c*).

Certified in 1549 that Leonard Harcourt had built a mansion house of 4 little chambers for the vicars choral, worth 16*d.* net p.a. & that he had also given them a barn to lay hay therein for their horses, also 4 butts of land in Gnosall let to Wm Lynacre for 15*d.* (*e*).

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 3 silver chalices with patens; 2 copes, 1 of blue silk, 1 of red damask; 3 " shutes " (sheets?), 1 of silk with a black satin cross, 1 of tawney silk, 1 of dun silk; 5 vestments with the appurtenances thereto, 1 of white camlet, 1 of red worsted, 1 of red silk, 1 of linen diaper, 1 of changeable damask; 2 velvet corporals; 1 copper cross with silk cloth; 1 wood cross covered with latten; 3 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 1 pair of organs; 1 brass censer. By consent of the whole parish 1 of the 4 chalices in the " old " inventory had been sold for church repair.

PREB. OF BEVERLEYHALL

	occ. 1533-5	Nich Daryngton [1]
8 Jan. 1542-3 ff.	occ. 1548	Jas Fowler (*c*)

PREB. OF CHYLTRENHALL

	occ. 1533	Ralph Whitehead [2]
	occ. 1535-48	Wm Hyll (*c*) [3]

PREB. OF MORDHALL

	occ. 1533-48	John Hall (*c*) [4]

PREB. OF SUKERHALL

occ. 1533	ob. Mar. 1540-1	Geoffrey Blythe LL.D. [5]
21 Ap. 1541 ff.	occ. 1548	Wm Hare (*c*) [6]

VICARS CHORAL

occ. 1533		Thos Bakehous
occ. 1533		Wm Asteley [7]
occ. 1533		Hen Caldwall
occ. 1533		Roger Harper

CURATES

	bur. 6 July 1573	Wm Sutton [8]
occ. 1593		Rich Fenton [9]
occ. 1610-13		Roger Bolton [10]
occ. 3 Nov. 1613		Wm Jennings [11]
occ. May 1630		Thos Rocke
occ. 11 Mar. 1631-2		Wm Geaste M.A.? [12]
occ. Dec. 1633	bur. 18 Feb. 1642-3	Wm Brereton [13]
occ. 1649-50		Samuel Webley [14]
30 Aug. 1650	occ. 1659	John Hall [15]
occ. 1661	bur. 10 Ap. 1674	Thos Reynolds B.A. [16]
occ. 1674-90		Edw Aston B.A.? [17]

OBITS

Certified in 1549 that John Brown had left by will 1 messuage and land here let to Geo Hyll for 18*s.* p.a., of which 6*s.* 8*d.* went to the chief lord, 4*s.* 8*d.* towards repairing the church, 3*s.* 4*d.* to the poor, 3*s.* 4*d.* to the priest keeping his obit; also that

PREB. OF BEVERLEYHALL

occ. 1533-5	Nich Darrington *
8 Jan. 1542-3 fl. occ. 1548	Jas Fowler (c)

PREB. OF CHYLTRENHALL

occ. 1533	Ralph Whitehead *
occ. 1535-48	Wm Hyll (c) *

PREB. OF MOSEHALL

occ. 1533-48	John Hall (c) *

PREB. OF SUKERHALL

occ. 1533 ob. Mar. 1540-1	Geoffrey Blythe LL.D. *
21 Ap. 1541 fl. occ. 1548	Wm Hare (c) *

VICARS CHORAL

occ. 1533	Thos Babehous
occ. 1533	Wm Astley[7]
occ. 1533	Hen Caldwall
occ. 1533	Roger Harper

CURATES

bur. 6 July 1523	Wm Sutton *
occ. 1595	Rich Fenton *
occ. 1613-15	Roger Bolton [10]
occ. 3 Nov. 1613	Wm Jennings [11]
occ. May 1630	Thos Rocke
occ. 11 Mar. 1631-2	Wm Gaste M.A.? [12]
occ. Dec. 1633 bur. 18 Feb. 1642-3	Wm Bereston [13]
occ. 1649-50	Samuel Webley [14]
30 Aug. 1650 occ. 1650	John Hall [15]
occ. 1661 bur. 10 Ap. 1674	Thos Reynolds B.A. [16]
occ. 1674-90	Edw Aston B.A.? [17]

GHTS

Certified in 1549 that John Brown had left by will 1 messuage and land here let to Geo Hyll for 18s. p.a., of which 6s. 8d. went to the chief lord, 4s. 8d. towards repairing the church, 3s. 4d. to the poor, 3s. 4d. to the priest keeping his obit; also that

Wm Kyng had given 1 messuage and land here let to Eleanor Cagard? wid. for 8*s*. p.a., of which 2*s*. 8*d*. went to the chief lord, 2*s*. 10*d*. towards repairing the church, 1*s*. 3*d*. to the poor, 1*s*. 3*d*. to the priest keeping his obit (*e*).

Both these obits are mentioned in the rental of c. 1550 together with a third one of Ellen Banester, worth 4*s*. 9*d*. p.a. (*r*).

LIGHT

Certified in 1548 that Elyn Banester had given a rent of 18*d*. to maintain a light before the image of Our Lady in Gnosall church (*b*)

This is not mentioned in the rental (*r*).

CHATWALL CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563 or subsequently.

Certified in 1548 that this chapel was for the ease of the inhabitants of Chatwall, being 3 miles distant from Gnosall church, that it was endowed with 3 butts of land in the field and a parcel of meadow called Tryinglehed, worth 16*d*. net p.a., that it possessed 1 vestment worth 12*d*., 1 bell, but no plate (*b*). Its possessions were valued c. 1550 at 16*d*. (*r*). In May 1553 this "little" bell was in the keeping of Francis Jobbar (chap. wd.?), the vestment had been sold for 16*d*. by Rich Forsett, surveyor, a chalice he had taken away with him.[18]

INCUMBENTS

None known.

KNIGHTLEY CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563 or subsequently.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 red silk corporal; 1 dornick corporal; 2 little bells; 1 sanctus bell; also 2 vestments, 1 of green silk and 1 of blue crewel, reported to belong to the hall at Knightley.

INCUMBENTS

None known.

NOTES

[1] **Daryngton.** Described as "of Gnosall" in 1535; preb. of Statfold 1527-30, of Wolvey 1527-30 and of Flixton 1530-42; paid 8*s*. 10½*d*. tax in 1533.

Wm Kyng had given 1 messuage and land here let to Elianor Cagard wid. for 8s. p.a., of which 2s. 8d. went to the chief lord, 2s. 10d. towards repairing the church, 1s. 3d. to the poor, 1s. 3d. to the priest keeping his obit (a).

Both these obits are mentioned in the rental of c. 1550 together with a third one of Ellen Banester, worth 4s. 9d. p.a. (r).

LIGHT

Certified in 1548 that Elyn Banester had given a rent of 18d. to maintain a light before the image of Our Lady in Gnosall church (b)

This is not mentioned in the rental (r).

CHATWALL CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1509 or subsequently.

Certified in 1548 that this chapel was for the ease of the inhabitants of Chatwall, being 3 miles distant from Gnosall church, that it was endowed with 3 butts of land in the field and a parcel of meadow called Tryngleled, worth 10d. net p.a.; that it possessed 1 vestment worth 12d., 1 bell, but no plate (b). Its possessions were valued c. 1550 at 10d. (r). In May 1553 this "little" bell was in the keeping of Francis Jebbar (chap. wd.?), the vestment had been sold for 10d. by Rich. Forsett, surveyor, a chalice he had taken away with him. [1]

INCUMBENTS

None known.

KNIGHTLEY CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1509 or subsequently.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 red silk corporal; 2 dornick corporal; 2 little bells; 1 sanctus bell; also 2 vestments, 1 of green silk and 1 of blue crewel, reported to belong to the hall at Knightley.

INCUMBENTS

None known.

NOTES

[1] Darrington. Described as "of Gnosall" in 1535; preb. of Sawtold 1527-30; of Wolvey 1527-30 and of Hixton 1530-12; paid 8s. 10d. tax in 1533.

[2] **Whitehead.** Preb. of Pipa parva 1517-19, of Weeford 1519-20 and chancellor 1520-35? ; paid 16*s.* tax in 1533.

[3] **Hyll.** Described as of Stoke-on-Tern in 1535. *See* **Longdon.**

[4] **Hall.** Paid tax of 8*s.* 10½*d.* as preb. here and 8*s.* as vicar of Chebsey, occ. 1533-58.

[5] **Blythe.** Nephew of bp Blythe, educated at Eton, master 1528 of King's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1523, LL.D. 1529; preb. of Prees 1520-1, of Tervin 1521-41, of Weeford 1523-30; archd. of Stafford 1530; treasurer and precentor of Lichfield 1530-? ; vicar of Chesterton, Camb., 1558, etc.; paid 8*s.* 10½*d.* tax in 1533. He preached against bp Latimer at Cambridge, buried there 8 Mar. 1540-1 (*D. N. B.*, *Simms*, etc.).

[6] **Hare.** Described as gentleman in 1535. *See* **Creswell.**

[7] **Asteley.** *See* **Seighford.** All these vicars choral paid 5*s.* 4*d.* tax in 1533.

[8] **Sutton.** *See* **Ellastone.**

[9] **Fenton.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris incumbens, ordained by Thos Bentham.

[10] **Bolton.** *See* **Stoke-on-Trent.** Gnosall is not mentioned in the 1604 return.

[11] **Jennings.** *See* **Church Eaton.**

[12] **Geaste.** M.A. 1623 Magd. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[13] **Brereton.** Perhaps matric. 1599-1600 Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[14] **Webley.** By an order of the committee for plundered ministers dated 7 Oct. 1646 37*l.* p.a. out of rent reserved to the bp of Lichfield from this impropriate rectory was granted to the minister here to increase his stipend of 20*l.* or of 20 marks. In 1649 and 1650 this was paid to Webley. (*Bod. MSS.* 323, p. 360; 326, p. 290; 327, p. 481; *Shaw*, II, p. 561.)

[15] **Hall.** Had been vicar of High Offley, q.v., came here on 30 Aug. 1650, regularly received payment of the 37*l.* augmentation from that date until about 1659 or 1660, approved by the commissioners on 11 Dec. 1654. (*Bod. MS.* 327, p. 482; *Sion MS.*, p. 492; *Lamb. MSS.* 972, pp. 603, 635; 976, p. 328; 978, pp. 619, 624; 979, p. 357; 994, p. 142; 995, p. 117; 1004, p. 77; 1005, p. 177.) An augmentation of 17*l.* p.a. (*sic*) was renewed to him in 1655 by the trustees. (*Shaw*, II, p. 505.) One of this name matric. 1644 Emman. Coll. Camb., another M.A. 1625 Caius Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), a third from Cheshire matric. 1617 New Hall, Ox., B.A. 1620 Hart Hall, Ox. (*Foster*).

[16] **Reynolds.** Probably matriculated 1637 Corp. Ch. Camb. (*Venn*). Paid subsidy of 10*s.* in Jan. 1661-2, ordained as B.A. both priest and deacon on 13 July 1662, married as "clerk" 6 Ap. 1659

[5] **Whitehead.** Pres. of Pipa parva 1517-10, of Wexford 1519-20 and chancellor 1520-35; paid 10s. tax in 1535.

[6] **Hyll.** Described as of Stoke-on-Tern in 1535. See **Langdon.**

[7] **Hall.** Paid tax of 8s. 10½d. as preb. here and 8s. as vicar of Chebsey, occ. 1533-58.

[8] **Blythe.** Nephew of bp Blythe, educated at Eton, master 1538 of King's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1543, LL.D. 1549; preb. of Pres 1540-1, of Tervin 1541-41, of Wexford 1543-50; archd. of Stafford 1550; treasurer and precentor of Lichfield 1550-7; vicar of Chesterton, Camb., 1558, etc.; paid 8s. 10½d. tax in 1553. He presented against bp Latimer at Cambridge, buried there in Mar. 1560-1 (D. N. B., Simms, etc.).

[9] **Hare.** Described as gentleman in 1535. See **Croswell.**

[10] **Astley.** See **Selghford.** All these vicars choral paid 3s. 4d. tax in 1533.

[11] **Sutton.** See **Ellastone.**

[12] **Fenton.** Scholaris furalis et in sacris litteris inquirendus, ordained by Thos Bentham.

[13] **Bolton.** See **Stoke-on-Trent.** Gnosall is not mentioned in the 1604 return.

[14] **Jennings.** See **Church Eaton.**

[15] **Gessle.** M.A. 1621 Magd. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[16] **Brereton.** Perhaps matric. 1590-1600 Emman. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[17] **Wesley.** By an order of the committee for plundered ministers dated 7 Oct. 1646 £24 p.a. out of rent reserved to the bp of Lichfield from this impropriate rectory was granted to the minister here to increase his stipend of 20l. or of 20 marks. In 1649 and 1650 this was paid to Wesley. (Bod. MSS. 323, p. 436; 330, p. 290; 327, p. 481; Shaw, ii, p. 567.)

[18] **Hall.** Had been vicar of High Offley, q.v., came here on 30 Aug. 1650, regularly received payment of the £24 augmentation from that date until about 1659 or 1660, approved by the commissioners on 11 Dec. 1654. (Bod. MS. 327, p. 452; Shaw MS., ii, 402; Lamb. MSS. 972, pp. 603, 635; 976, p. 258; 978, p. 619, 624; 979, p. 337; 994, p. 143; 995, p. 117; 1004, p. 77; 1005, p. 177.) An augmentation of 17l. p.a. (sic) was renewed to him in 1653 by the trustees. (Shaw, ii, p. 595.) One of this name matric. 1644 Emmanuel Coll. Camb., another M.A. 1653 Caius Coll. Camb. (Venn), a third from Cheshire matric. 1677 New Hall, Ox., B.A. 1680 Hart Hall, Ox. (Foster).

[19] **Reynolds.** Probably matriculated 1637 Corp. Ch. Camb. (Venn). Paid subsidy of 10s. in Jan. 1661-2, ordained as B.A. both priest and deacon on 13 July 1662, married as "clerk" 6 Ap. 1663

Margaret Fletcher at Haughton, a son baptized there 11 Jan. 1659-60; possibly Margaret was his second wife. *See Haughton register.*

[17] **Aston.** Probably B.A. 1671 Ox., son of Walter Aston of Woollaston, near Gnosall (*Foster*).

[18] *Inventory of* 1553.

GRATWICH

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D. It is described as "formerly a rectory and is now a rectory." Evidently at some former period the incumbents here must have been curates and the rectory in lease or appropriated. Subsequently this happened again in 1604, when the rectory, then worth 20*l.*, was in lease and the curate's salary was 5*l.*

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 7 vestments, 6 of crewel little worth, 1 of . . .; 1 cope of green satin; 4 albes; 3 corporals with cases; 3 altar cloths; 2 towels; 2 surplices; 3 cruets; 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 2 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 1 visiting bell; 1 pair of brass censers; 1 maslyn cross. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Pixley & Rich Cliffe.

Patrons: 1291, 1374 the Chetwinds (*S. H. C.*, 1911, pp. 47, 70; XVII, p. 221), 1577 the Crown by lapse from Sir Walter Aston kt, 1604 Mr Chetwynd

RECTORS

occ. 1533	w.p. 20 Oct. 1570	John Warde [1]
7 June 1577	occ. 1593	Francis Hodgkyn [2]
in 1602, 1604 and 1620		a curate here [3]
occ. 1651-2		John Thacker B.A.? [4]
(occ. 1666-81		Thos Orton)? [5]

CURATES

occ. 1533	Rich Fowall [6]
occ. 1602-4	Rich Fowell [7]
occ. 1620	Thos Fisher [8]

LAMP

Certified in 1548 that a parcel of land worth 2*d.* net p.a. had been given to maintain a lamp in the church (*b, r*), also

Margaret Fletcher at Haughton, a son baptized there 11 Jan. 1659-60; possibly Margaret was his second wife. See Haughton registers.

[17] Aston. Probably B.A. 1671 Ox., son of Walter Aston of Woollaston, near Gnosall (Foster).

[18] Inventory of 1553.

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Ch. Orn., 8 May 1533: 7 vestments, 6 of crewel little worth, 1 of . . . ; 1 cope of green satin; 4 albes; 3 corporals with cases; 3 altar cloths; 2 towels; 2 surplices; 3 cruets; 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 masslyn candlesticks; 2 bells (8); 1 sanctus bell; 1 visiting bell; 1 pair of brass censers; 1 masslyn cross. Ch. wds.: Thos Pixley & Rich Cliffe.

Patrons: 1291, 1374 the Chetwinds (S. R. C., 1911, pp. 47, 70; xvii, p. 221), 1577 the Crown by lapse from Sir Walter Aston kt, 1604 Mr Chetwynd.

RECTORS

occ. 1533 w.p. 20 Oct. 1570	John Warde[1]
7 June 1577 occ. 1593	Francis Hodgkyn[2]
in 1600, 1604 and 1620	a curate here[3]
occ. 1631-2	John Thacker B.A.?[4]
(occ. 1665-81	Thos Orton)?[5]

CURATES

occ. 1533	Rich Fowall[6]
occ. 1602-4	Rich Fowall[7]
occ. 1620	Thos Pixley[8]

LAMP

Certified in 1548 that a parcel of land worth 5s. net p.a. had been given to maintain a lamp in the church (6, 7), also

that there had been given by divers persons to maintain a light therein 44*s.* in ready money, besides 17*s.* 8*d.* (*illegible*) (*b*).

NOTES

[1] **Warde.** Paid tax of 1*s.* 4*d.* as rector here in 1533, also? a tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as curate of Stowe by Chartley. Either he or the rector of Blore Ray of this name subscribed in 1559. As his curate here—Fowall—paid a tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533, it would seem as if Warde was then resident at Stowe. Described as rector of Gratwich in his will.

[2] **Hodgkyn,** Hodgeson or Higgins. Presented by the Crown on 7 June, instituted 26 June, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[3] The returns of 1602, 1604 and 1620 show that this rectory (worth 20*l.*) was then in lease and a curate was in charge of the parish.

[4] **Thacker.** Possibly B.A. 1634-5 Magd. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[5] **Orton.** No degree, ordained both deacon and priest on 27 Sep. 1663. As he certified the number of hearths here, at Kingstone and Fradswell c. 1665, he may have served all three churches.

[6] **Fowall.** *See* **Thorpe Constantine** *and note* 1 *above.*

[7] **Fowell,** Fowler? No preacher, no degree, layman, lewd, salary 1602 2*l.*, 1604 5*l.* (1602-4 *returns*).

[8] **Fisher.** Described as curate (1620 *return*).

GRINDON

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 3 great bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell (*s*); 1 sacring bell; 2 crosses, little worth; 1 needlework vestment with albe; 2 pewter cruets; 1 brass censer; 1 brass chrismatory; 1 altar cloth; 2 towels; 1 needlework cope embroidered with velvet. **Ch. wds.**: Rich Buckestones & Robt Alcocke.

Patrons: The same as Blore Ray.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	ob. 1544	Edmund Eyre [1]
26 Aug. 1544	depr. 1559	Anthony Draycott LL.D. [2]
	Xmas 1559	No rector [3]
12 Jan. 1560-1 ff.	ob. 1578	John Addie [4]

that there had been given by divers persons to maintain a light therein 44s. in ready money, besides 17s. 8d. (illegible) (b).

NOTES

[1] Warde. Paid tax of 1s. 4d. as rector here in 1533, also a tax of 5s. 4d. as curate of Stowe by Chartley. Either he or the rector of Blore Ray of this name subscribed in 1559. As his curate here—Fowall—paid a tax of 5s. 4d. in 1533, it would seem as if Warde was then resident at Stowe. Described as rector of Cratwich in his will.

[2] Hodgkyn, Hodgeson or Higgins. Presented by the Crown on 7 June, instituted 26 June, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[3] The returns of 1604, 1604 and 1620 show that this rectory (worth 20l.) was then in lease and a curate was in charge of the parish.

[4] Thacker. Possibly B.A. 1594-5 Magd. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[5] Orton. No degree, ordained both deacon and priest on 27 Sep. 1663. As he certified the number of learned here, at Kingstone and Fradswell c. 1665, he may have served all three churches.

[6] Fowall. See Theophe Constantine and note 1 above.

[7] Fowell, Fowler? No preacher, no degree, layman, lived, salary 1600 2l., 1604 5l. (1604-5 returns).

[8] Fisher. Described as curate (1620 return).

GRINDON

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 3 great bells (2); 1 sanctus bell (2); 1 sacring bell; 2 crosses, little worth; 1 needlework vestment with albe; 2 pewter cruets; 1 brass censer; 1 brass chrismatory; 4 alter cloth; 2 towels; 1 needlework cope embroidered with velvet. Ch. wds.: Rich Buckestones & Robt Aldecke.

Patrons: The same as Blore Ray.

RECTORS

occ. 1533 ob. 1544	Edmund Eyre [1]
26 Aug. 1544 depr. 1559	Anthony Draycott LL.D. [2]
Xmas 1559	No rector [3]
12 Jan. 1560-1 ñ. ob. 1578	John Addie [4]

20 July 1578	res. 1579	John Billinge [5]
14 Oct. 1579		Wm Golde
3 Jan. 1585-6 ff.		Edward Cheshire B.A.? [6]
26 Mar. 1586	occ. 1604	Laurence Thorley B.A. [7]
16 Jan. 1608-9	w.p. 22 Aug. 1626	John Ibson B.A.? [8]
27 Sep. 1626	ob. 29 Sep. 1629	John Drope B.D. [9]
6 Mar. 1629-30	res. 1631	Geo Holme M.A. [10]
31 Mar. 1631	ob. c. 1645?	Simon Peck, M.A. [11]
25 Ap. 1646	occ. c. 1666	Christopher Turner M.A.? [12]
10 Nov. 1676 ff.		Philip Brown [13]
2 Mar. 1676-7 ff.		John Smith [14]
9 Feb. 1677-8 ff.		Roger Panter

CURATES

occ. 1533	John Berdmore [15]
occ. 1533	Thos Taylor [16]
occ. 1571-8	Rich Malkin [17]
in 1593	a curate [18]

NOTES

[1] **Eyre,** or Heyr. Paid tax of 16*s.* in 1533, had been rector of Blore Ray.

[2] **Draycott.** *See* **Checkley.**

[3] *Subsidy* 19-507.

[4] **Addie.** One of this name was vicar choral at Lichfield and subscribed in 1559.

[5] **Billinge** or Billindye.

[6] **Cheshire.** Perhaps B.A. 1567 Oxford, vicar of Aldermarston, Berks, from 1575, rector of Alvescott, Oxon., from 1577 (*Foster*).

[7] **Thorley.** B.A., preacher, licensed by the archbp of Canterbury in 1583 (1602 *return*); preacher of scandalous life (1604 *return*); did not appear for examination in 1593.

[8] **Ibson.** Probably identical with an Ibotson who matriculated 1584 Chr. Coll. Camb., B.A. Cath. Coll. in 1588-9 (*Venn*).

[9] **Drope.** Son of Thomas Drope the rector of Aynhoe, Northamp.; M.A. 1612 Magd. Hall, Ox.; incorporated at Camb. as M.A. in 1616; B.D. in 1619; licensed to preach in 1623; also rector of Norbury, Derby, where he died (*Foster, Venn*).

[10] **Holme** or Holmes. Probably a Derbyshire commoner, B.A. 1621 Brasenose Coll. Ox., M.A. 1633 (*sic*); became rector of Clowne, co. Derby, in 1637 (*Foster*).

20 July 1578	res. 1579	John Billinge[8]
14 Oct. 1579		Wm Golde
3 Jan. 1585-6 ff.		Edward Chestire B.A.?[9]
26 Mar. 1586	occ. 1604	Laurence Thorley B.A.[7]
16 Jan. 1608-9	w.p. 22 Aug. 1626	John Ibson B.A.?[8]
27 Sep. 1626	ob. 29 Sep. 1629	John Dropes B.D.[9]
6 Mar. 1629-30	res. 1631	Geo Holme M.A.[10]
31 Mar. 1631	ob. c. 1645?	Simon Peck, M.A.[11]
25 Ap. 1646	occ. c. 1666	Christopher Turner M.A.?[12]
10 Nov. 1676 ff.		Philip Brown[13]
2 Mar. 1676-7 ff.		John Smith[14]
9 Feb. 1677-8 ff.		Roger Panter

CURATES

occ. 1533	John Beadmore[15]
occ. 1535	Thos Taylor[16]
occ. 1571-8	Rich Mallan[17]
in 1593	n curatis[18]

NOTES

[1] **Eyre**, or Heyr. Paid tax of 16s. in 1523; had been rector of Bloxe Ray.

[2] **Draycott**. See Checkley.

[3] **Swinfey** 19-20?.

[4] **Addie**. One of this name was vicar elected at Dichfield and subscribed in 1559.

[5] **Billinge** or Billingley.

[6] **Chestire**. Perhaps B.A. 1570 Oxford, vicar of Aldermaston, Berks, from 1575, rector of Alvescott, Oxon., from 1577 (*Foster*).

[7] **Thorley**, B.A., preacher, licensed by the archdn of Cantbury in 1583 (1602 *refers*); preacher of scandalous life (1604 *refers*); did not appear for examination in 1593.

[8] **Ibson**. Probably identical with an Ibotson who matriculated 1584 Chr. Coll. Camb., B.A. Cath. Coll. in 1588-9 (*Venn*).

[9] **Dropes**, Son of Thomas Dropes the rector of Aynho, Northamp.; M.A. 1612 Magd. Hall, Ox.; incorporated at Camb. as M.A. in 1616; B.D. in 1619; licensed to preach in 1623; also rector of Norbury, Derby, where he died (*Foster*, *Venn*).

[10] **Holme** or Holmes. Probably a Derbyshire commoner, B.A. 1621 Brasenose Coll. Ox., M.A. 1624 (sic); became rector of Loxley, co. Derby, in 1627 (*Foster*).

[11] **Peck.** M.A. 1623 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*); ordained priest 1623; a rector here died c. Jan. 1645-6 (*Add. MS.* 15670, p. 51); probably Peck, as he educated Geo Harris who matriculated at S. John's Coll. Camb. in 1648. (*Mayor*; cf. admission of John Peck, son of this rector, to same college in 1655.)

[12] **Turner.** Probably M.A. 1633 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). In Feb. 1645-6 the rectory was in the gift of Wm earl of Newcastle, but the committee for plundered ministers ordered that the parishioners should be consulted about a new minister. On 25 Ap. 1646 the same committee sequestered the rectory to the use of Turner, a godly and orthodox minister, and instructed him to preach diligently to the people there. (*Add. MS.* 15670, pp. 51, 143, 150.) Signed testimony in 1648, paid subsidy of 2*l.* in Jan. 1661-2; had been curate at Cheadle in 1636.

[13] **Brown.** *See Foster* for a Somerset graduate of this name.

[14] **Smith.** *See* **Tutbury** and **Draycott-in-the-moors.**

[15] **Berdmore.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533, perhaps chaplain at Kingsley 1548.

[16] **Taylor.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

[17] **Malkin.** Paid subsidies of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1571, 1576, 1578 (19-523. 526, 528).

[18] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.

HAMSTALL RIDWARE

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 copes, 1 of blue damask, 1 of baudekin cloth; 6 vestments with all things thereto belonging, 1 of red satin, 1 of blue satin, 1 of worsted, 1 of Naples fustian, 2 of baudekin cloth; 3 corporals; 6 altar cloths; 3 towels; 1 gilt copper cross; 1 surplice; 2 bells (*s*); 2 sacring bells. **Ch. wds.:** Lewes Johnson & Wm Maskerie.

In 1604 there were many "popish" recusants here.

Patrons: 1556-1604 the Fitzherberts, 1627-31 Lady Katherine Leigh wid. and Sir Thos Leigh bart.

RECTORS

21 Oct. 1500		John Wallis [1]
	res. 1531	Wm Marton [1]
13 Dec. 1531	ob. c. 1533	Thos Wyllett [2]
c. 1533	res. 1536	John Symmes

[11] Peck, M.A. 1623 Trin. Coll. Camb. (Venn); ordained priest 1623; a rector here died c. Jan. 1645-6 (*Ath. MS.* 1597c, p. 51), probably Peck, as he educated Geo. Harris who matriculated at S. John's Coll. Camb. in 1646. (Mayor; cf. admission of John Peck, son of this rector, to same college in 1653.)

[12] Turner. Probably M.A. 1633 Trin. Coll. Camb. (Venn). In Feb. 1645-6 the rectory was in the gift of Wm and of Newcastle, but the committee for plundered ministers ordered that the parishioners should be consulted about a new minister. On 25 Ap. 1646 the same committee sequestered the rectory to the use of Turner, a godly and orthodox minister, and instructed him to preach diligently to the people there. (*Ath. MS.* 1597c, pp. 51, 145, 150.) Signed testimony in 1648; paid subsidy of 2*l.* in Jan. 1661-2; had been curate at Cheadle in 1650.

[13] Brown. See Foster for a Somerset graduate of this name.

[14] Smith. See Tathury and Draycott-in-the-moors.

[15] Bredmore. Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533; perhaps chaplain at Kingsley 1548.

[16] Taylor. Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1553.

[17] Mallin. Paid subsidies of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1570, 1576 (19-23, 526, 528).

[18] Curate. Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.

HAMSTALL RIDWARE

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 copes, 1 of blue damask, 1 of bandekin cloth; 6 vestments with all things thereto belonging, 1 of red satin, 1 of blue satin, 1 of worsted, 1 of Naples fustian, 2 of bandekin cloth; 3 corporals; 6 altar cloths; 3 towels; 1 gilt copper cross; 1 surplice; 2 bells (5); 2 sacring bells. Ch. wds.: Lewis Johnson & Wm Mascrie.

In 1604 there were many "popish" recusants here.

Patrons: 1550-1604 the Fitzherberts, 1629-31 Lady Katherine Leigh wid. and Sir Thos Leigh bart.

RECTORS

21 Oct. 1500		John Wallis [1]
	res. 1531	Wm Mauton [2]
13 Dec. 1531	ob. c. 1533	Thos Wyllett [3]
c. 1533	res. 1550	John Symmes

5 July 1536	ob. 1556	John Parre
15 Oct 1556	ob. 1557	Nicholas Lee
18 Dec. 1557	depr. c. 1561	Wm Maneley B.D.? [3]
c 1561	depr. 1562	Hugh Hall [4]
24 Nov. 1562		Thos Bradshawe [5]
	in July 1563	no rector [6]
9 Feb. 1580-1		John Hyde [7, 8]
	ob. 1583	Rich Browne B.A.? [9]
14 Oct. 1583	depr. 1586?	Everard Digby B.D. [7, 10]
14 Nov. 1586		Walter Marsh M.A. [7, 11]
5 Dec. 1590		Everard Digby B.D. [7, 10]
15 July 1601	bur. 1 Jan. 1626-7	Everard Digby [12]
14 Mar. 1626-7	res. 1630	Nathaniel Williams M.A. [13]
15 Jan. 1630-1	w.p. 11 May 1642	Wm Jeffray M.A. [14]
occ. 1651-2		Rich Smith B.A.? [15]
occ. 1661	bur. 12 Dec. 1695	Timothy Delane [16]
1696	ob. July 1715	Thos Allestree M.A. [17]

CURATE

occ. 1599-1602	Rich Hanson [18]

NOTES

[1] **Wallis, Marton.** See introduction to printed parish register.

[2] **Wyllett.** His executors paid the tax of 8*s.* 10½*d.* for this rectory in 1533.

[3] **Maneley.** Probably fellow of S. John's, Camb., M.A. 1540, B.D. 1546 (*Venn*). Preb. of Curborough 1554-9, deprived c. 1561 (*Gee*, p. 258).

[4] **Hall.** Deprived 1562 (*Gee*, p. 258).

[5] **Bradshawe.** Perhaps B.C.L. 1523 Ox., or M.A. 1549 Ox. (*Foster*). *See* **Wombourn.**

[6] No rector (*return of* 1563).

[7] **Hyde, Marsh, Digby.** All three presented to this rectory by the Crown. (*Lans. MS.* 443.) The advowson belonged to the Fitzherberts, who were continually being punished for recusancy. Judging from the quick succession of rectors, it looks as if Hyde and Marsh never really resided here or acted as rectors. Probably the Fitzherberts were sufficiently powerful to get their nominations cancelled.

[8] **Hyde.** Probably matric. 1560 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[9] **Browne.** Probably B.A. 1578-9 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

5 July 1536	ob. 1556	John Parre
15 Oct 1556	ob. 1557	Nicholas Lee
18 Dec. 1557	depr. c. 1561	Wm Manesley B.D.[2] *
c 1561	depr. 1564	Hugh Hall [4]
24 Nov. 1564		Thos Bradshawe [5]
	in July 1565	no rector [6]
9 Feb. 1580-1		John Hyde [7], [8]
	ob. 1583	Rich Browne B.A.[9] *
14 Oct. 1583	depr. 1586?	Everard Digby B.D.[7], [10]
14 Nov. 1586		Walter Marsh M.A.[7], [11]
5 Dec. 1590		Everard Digby B.D.[7], [12]
15 July 1601	bur. 1 Jan. 1629-7	Everard Digby [13]
14 Mar. 1629-7	res. 1630	Nathaniel Williams M.A.[14]
15 Jan. 1630-1	w.p. 11 May 1642	Wm Jeffray M.A.[14]
occ. 1651-2		Rich Smith B.A.?[14]
occ. 1661	bur. 12 Dec. 1695	Timothy Delane [14]
1696	ob. July 1715	Thos Allestree M.A.[15]

CURATE

occ. 1599-1602	Rich Hanson [16]

NOTES

[1] Wallis, Marion. See introduction to printed parish register.

[2] Wyllett. His executors paid the tax of 8s. 10½d. for this rectory in 1533.

[3] Manesley. Probably fellow of S. John's, Camb., M.A. 1540, B.D. 1546 (Venn). Pres. of Cuthorough 1554-6; deprived c. 1561 (See, p. 258).

[4] Hall. Deprived 1564 (See, p. 258).

[5] Bradshawe. Perhaps B.C.L. 1542 Ox., or M.A. 1546 Ox. (Foster). See Wombourn.

[6] No rector (return of 1563).

[7] Hyde, Marsh, Digby. All three presented to this rectory by the Crown. (Laus. MS. 443.) The advowson belonged to the Brideberts, who were continually being punished for recusancy. Judging from the quick succession of rectors, it looks as if Hyde and Marsh never really resided here or acted as rectors. Probably the Fitzherberts were sufficiently powerful to get their nominations cancelled.

[8] Hyde. Probably matric. 1560 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[9] Browne. Probably B.A. 1578-9 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[10] **Digby.** M.A. 1574 S. John's Coll. Camb., B.D. 1581; fellow of this college in 1587, when deprived of his fellowship for alleged insubordination and Romanist tendencies; perhaps deprived of this living also (*see note* 7). Seems to have been reinstated in this living in 1590; wrote works on swimming, philosophy, and science. (*D. N. B.*, *Venn.*)

[11] **Marsh.** B.A. 1582 S. John's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1585; archd. of Derby 1586-90, preb. of Gaia minor 1590-99 (*Simms*, *Venn*). (*See note* 7.)

[12] **Digby.** No degree, no preacher, a lewd man (1602-4 *returns*), presented by the Crown on the 15th, instituted 22 July. Rectory worth 80*l.* in 1604.

[13] **Williams.** B.A. 1620 S. John's Coll. Camb., B.D. 1632 Trin. Coll. Ox., ordained deacon 23 Nov. 1623, vicar of Tachbrook 1624, of Dunchurch 1626, rector here 1627, rector of Norbury (Derby) 1630, vicar of High Offley 1635, also preb. of Offley 1630-69 (*Foster*, *Simms*, *Venn*).

[14] **Jeffray.** Probably M.A. 1625 Pemb. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Vicar of Sheriff Hales 1622-30, preb. of Gaia major 1625-7, of Offley 1627-30, archd. of Salop 1628-42, chancellor of Lich. 1630-42 (*Simms*), buried here on 15 May 1642, four days after his will had been proved.

[15] **Smith.** Perhaps B.A. 1640-1 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). If so, he seems to be identical with a son of Rich Smith of Bullingbrook (*sic*), Linc., and took his M.A. at Ox. in 1649-50 (*Foster*). One of this name was ordained priest on 18 Dec. 1664 at Lichfield.

[16] **Delane.** Paid a subsidy of 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* in Jan. 1661-2.

[17] **Allestree.** *See* **Wolverhampton.**

[18] **Hanson.** *See* **Himley.**

HANBURY

In 1563 a vicarage, with an annexed chapel of ease at Marchington, in Tamworth D. The advowson belonged to the Lordship of Tutbury until about the reign of Edward VI, when the ancient rectory was approp. to the bp of Cov. & Lich.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 2 silver chalices, 1 partly gilt, with patens; 2 crosses, 1 copper, 1 latten; 3 copes, 1 of black "branched" silk, 1 of "branched" purple silk, 1 of black damask; 4 vestments, 1 of green silk "branched" with black & with its suite, 1 of white . . . with its suite, 1 of silk with all its suite save the amice, 1 of black camlet; 4 suites of vestments

[10] **Digby**, M.A. 1574 S. John's Coll. Camb., B.D. 1581; fellow of this college in 1587, when deprived of his fellowship for alleged insubordination and Romanist tendencies; perhaps deprived of this living also (see note 7). Seems to have been ministered in this living in 1590; wrote works on swimming, philosophy, and science. (D. N. B., Venn.)

[11] **Marsh**, B.A. 1586 S. John's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1595; archd. of Derby 1586-90, preb. of Lois minor 1590-99 (Simms, Venn). (See note 7.)

[12] **Digby**. No degree; no preacher; a lay man (1601-4 returns), presented by the Crown on the 15th, instituted 22 July. Rector worth 80l. in 1604.

[13] **Williams**, B.A. 1620 S. John's Coll. Camb., B.D. 1629 Trin. Coll. Ox., ordained deacon 23 Nov. 1623; vicar of Tachbrook 1624, of Dunchurch 1626, rector there 1629, rector of Norbury (Derby) 1630, vicar of High Offley 1633, also preb. of Offley 1630-60 (Foster, Simms, Venn).

[14] **Jeffrey**, Probably M.A. 1623 Pemb. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Vicar of Sheriff Hales 1622-30, preb. of Gais major 1625-7, of Offley 1627-30, archd. of Salop 1628-42, chancellor of Lich. 1630-42 (Simms), buried here on 15 May 1642, four days after his will had been proved.

[15] **Smith**. Perhaps B.A. 1640-1 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn). If so, he seems to be identical with a son of Rich Smith of Bullingbrook (sic), Linc., and took his M.A. at Ox. in 1649-50 (Foster). One of this name was ordained priest on 18 Dec. 1664 at Lichfield.

[16] **Delane**. Paid a subsidy of 1l. 10s. 0d. in Jan. 1661-2.

[17] **Allestree**. See Wolverhampton.

[18] **Hanson**. See Himley.

HANBURY

In 1563 a vicarage, with an annexed chapel of ease at Marchington, in Tamworth D. The advowson belonged to the Lordship of Tutbury until about the reign of Edward VI, when the ancient rectory was appropr. to the bp. of Cov. & Lich.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 2 silver chalices, 1 partly gilt, with patens; 2 crosses, 1 copper, 1 latten; 3 copes, 1 of black "branched" silk, 1 of "branched" purple silk, 1 of black damask; 4 vestments, 1 of green silk "branched" with black & with its suite, 1 of white . . . with its suite, 1 of silk with all its suite save the amice, 1 of black camlet; 4 suites of vestments

for the clerks & deacons, 2 of green taffeta, 2 of black camlet; 3 altar cloths; 1 great pillow; 3 towels; 2 latten candlesticks; 1 latten pyx; 1 latten chrismatory; 1 latten ship; — latten censers; 1 brass water stock; 1 surplice; 1 poor man's box; 1 sanctus bell (s); 1 sacring bell; 1 hand bell; 4 bells (s), whereof one is broken. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Paynter & Hum Hill.

Patron: The bishop, temp. Commonwealth Parliament, etc.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	ob. 12 Jan. 1535-6	Wm Throgmorton D.LL.[1]
23 Jan. 1535-6	w.p. 24 July 1552	John Hurte B.L.[2]

VICARS

1558	w.p. 5 Dec. 1568	Hen Lorte[3]
11 Jan. 1568-9	occ. 1578	John Payne[4]
23 Oct. 1585	occ. 1593	Brian Exton M.A.[5]
24 Nov. 1602	bur. 14 Feb. 1609-10	Rich Hill M.A.[6]
27 Ap. 1615	bur. 29 Oct. 1620	Hen Blundeston M.A.[7]
7 Nov. 1620	occ. 1631	Joseph Leigh M.A.[8]
occ. 1636	bur. 20 July 1638	Michael Henshaw M.A.?[9]
20 Nov. 1638	res. Dec. 1638?	Thos Bury M.A.?[10]
18 Sep. 1639		Joseph Leigh[11]
	seq. 1646	Roger Fleetwood M.A.[12]
25 June 1646	occ. 1650	John Prestbury M.A.?[13]
occ. 1651-2	occ. 1653	Zachery Burton B.A.?[14]
10 May 1654	eject. 1662	Hen Bee B.A.?[15]
24 Oct. 1662	res. c. Jan. 1667-8	Peter Watkinson B.A.?[16]
6 Feb. 1667-8		Rich Cross B.D.[17]
occ. 1672	bur. 6 Ap. 1676	John Farmer B.A.[18]
11 July 1677		Timothy Ibbotson M.A.[19]

MARCHINGTON CHAPEL

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 crosses, 1 of brass, 1 of wood; *1 holywater stock; *1 sanctus bell; *1 hand bell; *2 candlesticks; *1 pyx; *1 chrismatory;

for the clerks & deacons, 2 of green taffeta, 2 of black camlet; 3 altar cloths; 1 great pillow; 3 towels; 2 latten candlesticks; 1 latten pyx; 1 latten chrismatory; 1 latten ship; — latten censers; 1 brass water stock; 1 surplice; 1 poor man's box; 1 sanctus bell (s); 1 sacring bell; 1 hand bell; 4 bells (s), whereof one is broken. Ch. wds.: Thos Paynter & Hum Hill.

Patron: The bishop, temp. Commonwealth. Parliament, etc.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	ob. 12 Jan. 1535-6	Wm Thoggmorton D.LL.[1]
23 Jan. 1535-6	w.p. 24 July 1552	John Hurte B.L.[2]

VICARS

1558	w.p. 5 Dec. 1568	Hen Lerte[3]
11 Jan. 1568-9	occ. 1579	John Payne[4]
23 Oct. 1585	occ. 1593	Brian Eaton M.A.[5]
24 Nov. 1602	bur. 14 Feb. 1609-10	Rich Hill M.A.[6]
27 Ap. 1615	bur. 29 Oct. 1620	Hon Blundeston M.A.[7]
7 Nov. 1620	occ. 1631	Joseph Leigh M.A.[8]
occ. 1636	bur. 20 July 1638	Michael Henshaw M.A.?[9]
20 Nov. 1638	res. Dec. 1638?	Thos Bury M.A.?[10]
18 Sep. 1639		Joseph Leigh[11]
	sed. 1646	Roger Fleetwood M.A.[12]
25 June 1646	occ. 1650	John Prestbury M.A.?[13]
occ. 1651-2	occ. 1653	Zachery Burton B.A.?[14]
10 May 1654	eject. 1662	Hen Bee B.A.?[15]
24 Oct. 1662	res. c. Jan. 1667-8	Peter Watkinson B.A.?[16]
6 Feb. 1667-8		Rich Cross B.D.[17]
occ. 1672	bur. 6 Ap. 1676	John Farmer B.A.[18]
11 July 1677		Timothy Ibbotson M.A.[19]

MARCHINGTON CHAPEL

Ch. Ded., 14 May 1533: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 crosses, 1 of brass; 1 of wood; *1 holywater stock; *1 sanctus bell; *1 hand bell; *2 candlesticks; *1 pyx; *1 chrismatory;

*1 houseling bell (*all these of brass); 4 vestments, 1 of Bruges satin, 1 of silk, 1 of dornick, 1 of linen cloth; 3 amices with albes, fans & stoles; 1 corporal cloth with 3 cases; 1 pillow; 1 cushion; 1 purse to bear the communion in; 2 linen altar cloths; 2 stained cloths before the altar; 1 cross cloth; 2 streamers; 2 banners; 1 green silk pyx cloth; 6 old towels; 1 red "caffa" cope; 3 bells, 1 of them weighing ½ cwt. **Chap. wds.:** Rich Walton, John Cocke, Roger Budworth & Wm Aston.

CURATES

occ. 1533		Wm Nalle
occ. 1558		Rich Rushton [20]
occ. 1582		Geo Stone [21]
occ. 1593		a curate [22]
occ. 1598		Hamlett Charlton
occ. 1602-4		Christopher Capron B.A. [23]
occ. 1605-8		Robt Bolton [24]
occ. 1620		Jeremy Morrell B.A.? [25]
occ. 1624		Hen Charlton
occ. 1649		Wm Awste
occ. 1651-2		Geo Burton
2 June 1654	occ. 1660	Nathaniel Sturgis [26]

CHANTRY OF S. KATHERINE

Certified in 1546 to have been founded by Robt Hill to find a priest to sing divine service in the chapel of S. Katherine in Marchington chapel. The priest's salary was 3*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.* net and 3*s.* 4*d.* was distributed to poor people upon S. Katherine's day. It possessed certain goods, but no plate or jewels (*a*).

CHANTRY PRIESTS

occ. 1533	w.p. 19 Oct. 1541	Wm Morver
4 July 1541 ff.		Robt Hygdon
18 Mar. 1541-2 ff		John Sacheverell
8 June 1543 ff.		Rich Barlowe
	last incumbent	Wm Walker [27]

NEWBOROUGH CHAPEL OR CHANTRY

Not mentioned in the 1563 return.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 vestment with all things thereto

*1 hongeling bell (*all these of brass); 4 vestments, 1 of Bruges satin, 1 of silk, 1 of dornick, 1 of linen cloth; 3 amices with albes, lans & stoles; 1 corporal cloth with 3 cases; 1 pillow; 1 cushion; 1 purse to bear the communion in; 2 linen altar cloths; 2 stained cloths before the altar; 1 cross cloth; 2 streamers; 2 bannets; 1 green silk pyx cloth; 6 aid towels; 1 red "calla" cope; 3 bells; 1 of them weighing ½ cwt. Chap. wds.: Rich Walton, John Cocke, Roger Hudworth & Wm Aston.

CURATES

occ. 1533	Wm Nalle
occ. 1558	Rich Ruslton **
occ. 1582	Geo Slone **
occ. 1593	Acurate **
occ. 1598	Hamlett Charlton
occ. 1602-4	Christopher Capron R.A. **
occ. 1605-8	Robt Bolton **
occ. 1620	Jeremy Morrell B.A.? **
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4 July 1541 ff.	Robt Hyeton
19 Mar. 1541-2 ff.	John Sayleveyell
8 June 1543 ff.	Rich Barlowe
last incumbent	Wm Waller **

NEWBOROUGH CHAPEL OR CHANTRY

Not mentioned in the 1563 return.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 vestment with all things thereto

belonging; 1 old chest; 2 bells; 2 sacring bells; also 1 chalice that Rich Forsett, surveyor, "had from thence."

In the reigns of Mary and Elizabeth its possessions brought in 66*s.* 2*d.*[28]

CHAPLAIN

occ. 1533-48		Wm Smith[28]

CURATES

	w.p. 30 June 1563.	Anthony Ydle
occ. 1593		Wm Maxfield[29]
occ. 1604		a curate[30]
occ. 1620		Francis Lees
occ. 1647	ob. c. 1660	Anthony Mason B.A.?[31]

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[2] **Hurte,** Harte. Described as parson (i.e. rector) of Hanbury in his will.

[3] **Lorte.** "Appointed" (instituted?) by Ralph Bayne, the bishop 1554-8 (*Stebbing Shaw*).

[4] **Payne.** Perhaps matriculated 1547 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[5] **Exton.** M.A. 1579 Corp. Ch. Camb., praedicator publicus, ordained priest by Wm Overton 22 Oct. 1591, instituted to Hanbury 23 Oct. 1585 (*sic*), to North Darley rectory, near Matlock, 23 Oct. 1590, held both livings in 1593 (1593 *return, Venn*). Also preb. of Sandiacre 1585-9, of Curborough 1589-92, of Offley 1594-1608? Note the preferments he held before his ordination as priest.

[6] **Hill.** M.A., no preacher (1602-4 *returns*), perhaps subscribed at Lichfield 1559, will pr. 26 Feb. 1609-10. Vicarage worth 30*l.* p.a. in 1604.

[7] **Blundeston,** Blundstone, Blounteston. Matriculated 1587 Trin. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1595 (*Venn*). Rector of Thorpe Constantine 8 Aug.-Oct. 1620.

[8] **Leigh.** M.A. 1620 Sidney Sussex Coll. Camb., incorporated at Ox. the same year; vicar of Duffield from 1620, of Egginton from 1631, both co. Derby (*Venn* and *Foster*); married in 1625 Sarah Adderley (*Stebbing Shaw*); reinstituted to this rectory in 1631, in connection with his institution to Egginton. *See note* 11.

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In the reigns of Mary and Elizabeth its possessions brought in 66s. 2d.[8]

CHAPLAIN

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[10] **Bury.** *See* **Norbury.**

[11] **Leigh.** His institution is given both in the Bishops' Certificates and the Institution Books. Possibly may be identical with the former vicar of this name.

[12] **Fleetwood.** B.A. 1631 Linc. Coll. Ox., M.A. 1634 Camb., son of Sir Miles Fleetwood kt of Thrapston, Northants (*Foster, Venn*). Preb. of Bobenhall 1640, depr. thereof 1642 (*Harwood*, p. 219). Died at Lichfield in 1646, during its siege by the parliamentary forces. (*Hist. MSS. Rept.* XIV, app. viii, pp. 235, 236; *Stebbing Shaw.*) Vicarage sequestered from him 25 June 1646 by committee for plundered ministers because he had "deserted the cure and taken himself to the forces raised against the Parliament." (*Add. MS.* 15670, p. 256.)

[13] **Prestbury.** Perhaps M.A. 1624 Queens' Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). A godly and orthodox divine, vicarage sequestered to his use 25 June 1646 by aforenamed committee. (*Add. MS.* 15670, p. 256.) On 13 June 1646 this committee had recommended him to the Assembly of Divines for the cure of Newborough chapel. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 267.) As curate signs register in 1639, his wife Hanna bur. 29 Dec. 1641.

[14] **Burton.** Probably B.A. 1649-50 Caius Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[15] **Bee.** Probably B.A. 1650-1 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Approved by the commissioners 10 May 1654, presented by Oliver Cromwell (*Lamb. MS.* 997, pt. 1, No. 52), salary made up to 100*l.* p.a. by trustees 15 Aug. 1654 (*Lamb. MS.* 973, p. 683), augmentation given as 20*l.* p.a. c. 1659 (*Lamb. MSS.* 981, p. 21; 994, p. 142), married 24 Feb. 1654-5 at Uttoxeter Alice Burton; paid subsidy of 10*s.* Jan. 1661-2; eject. 1662 (*Dioc. Reg.*); imprisoned at Stafford for nonconformity (*Calamy*).

[16] **Watkinson.** No degree mentioned in *Dioc. Reg.*, possibly B.A. 1628-9 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[17] **Cross.** M.A. 1652 Ch. Coll. Camb., B.D. 1661 (*Venn*). Vicar of Lapley 1667-8.

[18] **Farmer.** Matriculated 1652 Caius Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), ordained both deacon and priest 13 July 1662.

[19] **Ibbotson,** Ibbitson. M.A. 1662 Cath. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), preb. of Curborough 1677-91.

[20] **Rushton.** Occurs in will of John Resynton, pr. 1559; subscribed that year.

[21] **Stone.** Occurs in will of Wm Moseley, pr. 1583. *See* **Abbots Bromley.**

[22] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.

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[14] **Burton.** Probably B.A. 1640-50 Caius Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[15] **Bee.** Probably B.A. 1630-1 Trin. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Approved by the commissioners 10 May 1654, presented by Oliver Cromwell (Lamb. MS 907, pt. 1, No. 25), salary made up to 100l. p.a. by trustees 15 Aug. 1654 (Lamb. MS. 972, p. 263), augmentation given as 20l. p.a. c. 1650 (Lamb. MS. 982, p. 21; 972, p. 142), married 24 Feb. 1654-5 at Uttoxeter Alice Burton; paid subsidy of 10s. Jan. 1661-2; eject. 1662 (Dioc. Reg.); imprisoned at Stafford for nonconformity (Calamy).

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[17] **Cross.** M.A. 1634 Ch. Coll. Camb., B.D. 1667 (Venn) Vicar of Lapley 1667-8.

[18] **Farmer.** Matriculated 1632 Caius Coll. Camb. (Venn), ordained both deacon and priest 13 July 1634.

[19] **Ibbotson.** Ibbitson, M.A. 1662 Cath. Coll. Camb. (Venn), preb. of Carborough 1677-97.

[20] **Huston.** Occurs in will of John Keesington, pr. 1590; subscribed that year.

[21] **Stone.** Occurs in will of Wm Moseley, pr. 1593. See Abbots Bromley.

[22] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[23] **Capron.** B.A., preacher, stipend 10*l.* (1604 *return*), 10*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* (1602 *return*).

[24] **Bolton.** It is just possible that he may be identical with a somewhat noted puritan of this name who was educated at Blackburn, B.A. 1596 Lincoln Coll. Ox., M.A. 1602 Brasenose Coll. Ox., B.D. 1609, lectured at Oxford on logic, moral and natural philosophy, became rector of Broughton, Northants, 1609—till his death in 1631 (*D. N. B., Foster*).

[25] **Morrell.** *See* **Tixall.**

[26] **Sturgis.** On 2 June 1654 he exhibited to the commissioners an order made by the committee for plundered ministers for his settlement as minister here, together with a testimony of his holy and good conversation, whereupon the commissioners approved him and admitted him to this chapel. (*Lamb. MS.* 997, pt. 1, No. 144.) In receipt of an augmentation of 44*l.* p.a. from June 1654 till about 1660 (*Lamb. MSS.* 973, p. 682; 981, p. 21; 994, p. 142); frequently certified the fitness of other candidates for the ministry (*Lamb. MS.* 999).

[27] **Walker.** The last incumbent. Chantry was dissolved before 20 Dec. 1549. (*D. of Lanc. Mis. Bk.* 135, p. 44; cf. *Accounts*, 6798.) *See* **Handsworth.**

[28] **Smith.** Granted a pension of 70*s.* on 10 Sep. 1548, which ceased about 1561. (*Accounts*, 6829-33, etc.; *D. of Lanc. Mis. Bk.* 135, p. 104.) Subscribed 1559 at Lichfield.

[29] **Maxfield.** Scholaris oxoniensis et in sacris litteris incumbens; ordained by John, bp of Gloucester. One of this name curate of S. Michael, Lichfield, 1596-1632.

[30] **Curate.** Not named, no preacher, salary 6*l.* (1604 *return*).

[31] **Mason.** Perhaps B.A. 1626-7 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). In June and July 1646 the committee for plundered ministers found that there was no stipend reserved for a minister in this chapel and granted 50*l.* p.a. from the revenues of the dean and chapter of Lichfield to maintain a preaching minister here. On 11 Nov. 1646 the committee ordered it to be paid from the revenues of the collegiate church of Penkridge that had been sequestered from Sir Edw Littleton. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 243; *S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, p. 268.) On 27 Mar. 1647 the committee altered this augmentation to 45*l.* p.a. (*Lamb. MS.* 979, p. 353.)

This committee recommended Mason for this cure to the committee of the Assembly of Divines on 25 June 1647 (*Add. MS.* 15671, p. 85) and formally appointed him minister here 18 June 1648 (*Lamb. MS.* 979, p. 353). He regularly received payment of this 45*l.* from his appointment till his death c. 1660. (*Lamb. MSS.* 976, p. 327; 978, pp. 617, 621; 979, p. 353; 973, p. 681; 981, p. 20; 994, p. 142; *Bod. MS.* 326, p. 291; *Sion MS.*, p. 491; cf. *Shaw*, II, p. 561.)

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HANDSWORTH

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 copes, 1 of red velvet, 1 of white damask; 2 brass crosses; 2 brass candlesticks; 3 vestments with all things thereto, 1 of blue damask, 1 of silk, 1 of white fustian; 3 altar cloths; 4 bells (*s*).

Ch. wds.: Thos Branewiche & Hen Willies.

In 1604 there were some recusants here.

Patrons: 1557 . . . for Sir Edw Dudley kt, 1571 Sir John Bowes and John Brookes.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	ob. 12 Jan. 1535-6	Wm Throgmorton D.LL. [1]
4 May 1536	ob. 1556	Wm Smith [2]
18 Jan. 1556-7	res. 1571	Thos Bolte B.D. [3]
5 June 1571	occ. 1602	Wm Walker [4]
12 Ap. 1604		Hen Stamford [5]
31 May 1608	bur. 4 Sep. 1636	John Fulnetby B.D. [6]
2 Sep. 1636	occ. 1651-2	Gilbert Littleton M.A. [7]
occ. 1657-8		Thos Edge [8]
16 Sep. 1659 ff.	occ. 1666	Joseph Ainge [9]

CURATES

occ. 1533	Wm Myllys [10]
occ. 1620	John Sallock

OBIT

Certified in 1548 that John Northall had given 2*s*, 8*d*. p.a. out of certain lands to be paid to the church wardens for an obit to be kept in the church for ever (*b*, *r*).

NOTES

[1] **Throgmorton.** *See* **Hanbury.**

[2] **Smith.** Possibly curate of Kinver in 1533.

[3] **Bolte.** *See* **Church Eaton.**

[4] **Walker.** Did not appear for examination in 1593, probably is the unnamed rector who is described as a "bad liver" and no preacher

(1604 *return*); did not pay the subsidies due in 1598 and 1601 (20-559 and 20-564); occurs here as rector 1602 (*Stebbing Shaw*). One of this name chantry priest at Marchington (q.v.) c. 1547, subscribed 1559. (*See S. H. C.*, XIV, p. 206.) Rectory worth 20*l.* in 1604.

[5] **Stamford.** *See* **Checkley.**

[6] **Fulnetby,** Fulnethy, Funnebie. M.A. 1590 Clare Coll. Camb., B.D. 1597 (*Venn*). Rector of Aldridge 1622-36; preb. of Gaia major 1605-8; precentor 1608-36; archd. of Stafford 1614-36; buried here, aged 71; will pr. 11 Nov. 1636.

[7] **Littleton.** Student of Gray's Inn 1608; M.A. 1619 Balliol Coll. Ox., son of Geo Littleton of Holbeach (*Foster*).

[8] **Edge.** Probably matriculated 1645 Ch. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1658-9. (*Lamb. MS.* 999.)

[9] **Ainge,** Ainger. As paup. schol. matric. 1639 Queen's Coll. Ox., son of Rich Ainge of Hampton, co. Warw. (*Foster*). Presented by Crown (*Keeper*, 46); paid first fruits second time 21 June 1661; paid subsidy of 2*l.* in Jan. 1661-2; paid on 4 hearths c. 1665.

[10] **Myllys.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533. Perhaps became preb. of Burton.

HARBORNE

In 1563 a vicarage, with a chapel of ease at Edgbaston, approp. to the dean & chapter of Lich. and subject to their peculiar jurisdiction.[1]

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 4 pairs of vestments, 1 of velvet, 1 of damask, 1 of camlet, 1 of crewel; 6 altar cloths; 4 towels; 1 velvet pillow; 2 maslyn crosses; 2 Bruges satin copes; 3 corporals with cases; 1 laver with maslyn basin; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 1 tin cruet; 1 maslyn pax; 1 brass water pot; 3 bells (*s*); 2 hand bells. **Ch. wds.:** John Baker & Rich Pedoke.

VICARS[2]

	res. Aug. 1492	John Hygges
occ. 1493	ob. May 1505	Thos Thorley
6 June 1505		Thos Waterward
	ob. c. 1521	Roger Ball
31 Jan. 1521-2	res. 1529	Reginald Aspis[3]
3 Ap. 1529		Geo Wyrall
occ. 1609		Humphrey Fletcher[4]
1 June 1611		Daniel Pury M.A.[5]

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HARBORNE

In 1563 a vicarage, with a chapel of ease at Edgbaston, approp. to the dean & chapter of Lich. and subject to their peculiar jurisdiction.[1]

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 4 pairs of vestments, 1 of velvet, 1 of damask, 1 of camlet, 1 of crewel; 6 altar cloths; 4 towels; 1 velvet pillow; 2 masslyn crosses; 2 Bruges satin copes; 3 corporals with cases; 1 laver with masslyn basin; 2 masslyn candlesticks; 1 tin cruet; 1 masslyn pax; 1 brass water pot; 3 bells (a); 2 hand bells. Ch. wds.: John Baker & Rich Pedoke.

VICARS[2]

res. Aug. 1492	John Hygges
occ. 1493 ob. May 1505	Thos Thorley
6 June 1505	Thos Waterward
ob. c. 1521	Roger Hall
31 Jan. 1521-2 res. 1529	Reginald Aspie[3]
3 Ap. 1529	Geo Wynall
occ. 1609	Humphrey Fletcher[4]
1 June 1611	Daniel Pury M.A.[5]

12 Sep. 1617		Hen Kempster [6]
	occ. 1638	Thos Bayly [7]
	occ. 1640-1662	John Mackmath [8]
3 Oct. 1663 ff.		John Orton M.A.? [9]
4 Dec. 1663 ff.	ob. 1667	Edw Atwood [10]
27 Jan. 1667-8 ff.		John Asbrook B.A. [11]
6 Oct. 1671 ff.	occ. 1691	Geoffrey Ward M.A. [12]

OBIT

Certified in 1548 that John Weoley had given a croft of land for an obit worth 8*d.* net p.a. (*b*), 1*s.* 1*d.* (*r*).

EDGBASTON CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease to Harborne with cure. [13]

CHAPLAIN

20 Jan. 1519 Wm Hide

NOTES

[1] *See S. H. C.*, 1911, p. 33.

[2] **Vicars.** The information about the vicars between 1492 and 1529 is taken from the Act Books. Harborne is not named in the returns of 1533, 1535, 1593, 1602, 1604, 1620.

[3] **Aspis,** Haspes.

[4] **Fletcher.** *Mander*, p. 69.

[5] **Pury,** Perry. M.A. 1594 Magd. Hall, Ox.; commoner from co. Glouc. (*Foster*). Preb. of Dernford 1608—sequestered by Parliament, restored c. 1660, died 1664. (*Harwood*, p. 225.) His institution here is given in the Bishops' Certificates P.R.O.

[6] **Kempster.** His institution is given in the Institution Books P.R.O.

[7] **Bayly.** Mentioned on the authority of Stebbing Shaw. Possibly son of Lewis, bp of Bangor. If so, a well-known royalist divine, rector of Holdgate, Salop, 1634, held many other preferments, defended Raglan castle 1646, imprisoned at Newgate for writing offensive to Commonwealth, joined Roman Catholic church 1651, lived at Douay and in Italy (*D. N. B.*, *Foster*, etc.).

[8] **Mackmath.** Occurs as vicar here 1640 (*Stebbing Shaw*), in return of 1651-2, in Lichfield transcripts 18 Oct. 1662. On 26 Sep. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted to an unnamed minister here an augmentation of 50*l.* p.a. out of the impropriate rectory of Edgbaston, co. Warw., sequestered from Rich Middlemore, delinquent, as the vicarage was but worth 40*l.* p.a. (*Bod. MS.* 323,

12 Sep. 1617	Hen Kempster [6]
occ. 1638	Thos Bayly [7]
occ. 1640-1662	John MacKmatth [8]
3 Oct. 1663 ff.	John Orton M.A.? [9]
4 Dec. 1663 ff. ob. 1667	Edw Atwood [10]
27 Jan. 1667-8 ff.	John Ashcock B.A. [11]
6 Oct. 1671 ff. occ. 1691	Geoffrey Ward M.A. [12]

OBIT

Certified in 1548 that John Wooley had given a rent of land for an obit worth 8d. net p.a. (9), 1s. 1d. (7).

EDGBASTON CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease to Harborne with cure. [13]

CHAPLAIN

20 Jan. 1819 Wm Hide

NOTES

[1] See S. W. C.; 1911, p. 33.

[2] Vicars. The information about the vicars between 1492 and 1529 is taken from the Act Books. Harborne is not named in the returns of 1533, 1535, 1593, 1602, 1604, 1620.

[3] Aspin, Hasper.

[4] Fletcher, Mauder, p. 69.

[5] Pury, Perry, M.A. 1594 Magd. Hall, Ox.; commoner from co. Glouc. (Foster), Preb. of Dorchd 1608—sequestered by Parliament, restored c. 1660, died 1664. (Harwood, p. 225.) His institution here is given in the Bishops' Certificates P.R.O.

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[7] Bayly. Mentioned on the authority of Stebbing Shaw. Possibly son of Lewis, bp of Bangor. If so, a well-known royalist divine, rector of Holdgate, Salop, 1634, held many other preferments, detended Raglan castle 1646, imprisoned at Newgate for writing offensive to Commonwealth, joined Roman Catholic church 1651, lived at Douay and in Italy (D. N. B., Foster, etc.).

[8] MacKmatth. Occurs as vicar here 1640 (Stebbing Shaw), in return of 1651-2, in Lichfield transcripts 12 Oct. 1662. On 26 Sep. 1640 the committee for plundered ministers granted to an unnamed minister here an augmentation of 50l. p.a. out of the impropriate rectory of Edgbaston, co. Warw., sequestered from Rich Middlemore, delinquent, as the vicarage was but worth 40l. p.a. (Rot. 215, 323,

p. 359.) There is no record of this having been paid to Mackmath. On 17 Sep. 1647 a complaint to this committee against Mackmath was referred to the committee of parliament for Staffordshire. (*Add. MS.* 15671, p. 218.)

[9] **Orton.** Perhaps B.A. 1636 New Coll. Ox., M.A. 1641 Magd. Hall, Ox., son of Wm Orton, the rector of Sheldon, co. Warw. (*Foster*).

[10] **Atwood.** Matriculated New Hall, Ox., ordained deacon 29 Jan. 1662-3, priest 26 July 1663.

[11] **Asbrook.** B.A. 1644 Brasenose Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). Formerly curate of Armitage.

[12] **Ward.** Ordained deacon as M.A. 24 May 1662, curate at Barton 1662-71.

[13] **Edgbaston.** Always in co. Warw., so does not occur in the Staffordshire returns seen by compiler.

HASELOUR CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 return or in several of the other returns. Certified in 1549 to belong to one of the prebendaries of Lichfield Cathedral, who had all the tithes of this township and who found a priest to minister in this chapel as if it were a parish church. Some unknown donor had left for the stipendiary priest here 1 messuage and 5 butts of land here worth 6*s.* 8*d.* p.a., which in 1549 were in the tenure of Sir John Alsop, clerk, the service priest (*e*), and in 1577 were in the tenure of Hum Dawes.[1] Until 1832 it was often claimed to be a part of S. Michael's parish, Lichfield, when the Court of King's Bench decided it was extra parochial.

PRIEST

occ. 1549	John Alsop (*e*)[2]

CURATES

in 1604	no incumbent[3]
occ. 1624	Thos Cotton[4]
in 1650-2	no incumbent[5]

NOTES

[1] *Leases*, Roll 11, No. 20.

[2] **Alsop.** Subscribed in 1559.

[3] 1604 *return.*

[4] *Harwood*, p. 567.

[5] *Return of* 1651-2.

p. 359.) There is no record of this having been paid to Mackenzie. On 17 Sep. 1617 a complaint to this committee against Mackenzie was referred to the committee of parliament for Staffordshire. (J.H.C. M.S. 1597-1, p. 218.)

[9] Orton. Perhaps B.A. 1636 New Coll. Ox., M.A. 1641 Magd. Hall, Ox., son of Wm Orton, the rector of Shelton, co. Warw. (Foster).

[10] Atwood. Matriculated New Hall, Ox., ordained deacon 20 Jan. 1662-3, priest 26 July 1663.

[11] Ashrook. B.A. 1644 Brasenose Coll. Ox. (Foster). Formerly curate of Armitage.

[12] Ward. Ordained deacon as M.A. 24 May 1662, curate at Burton 1662-71.

[13] Edgbaston. Always in co. Warw., so does not occur in the Staffordshire returns seen by compiler.

HASELOUR CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 return or in several of the other returns. Certified in 1640 to belong to one of the prebendaries of Lichfield Cathedral, who had all the tithes of this township and who found a priest to minister in this chapel as if it were a parish church. Some unknown donor bad left for the stipendiary priest here 1 messuage and 5 butts of land here worth 5s. 8d. p.a., which in 1640 were in the tenure of Sir John Alsop, clerk, the service priest (a), and in 1577 were in the tenure of Hum Dawes.[1] Until 1835 it was often claimed to be a part of S. Michael's parish, Lichfield, when the Court of King's Bench decided it was extra parochial.

PRIEST

occ. 1540	John Alsop (a)[2]

CURATES

in 1604	no incumbent[3]
occ. 1634	Thos Cotton[4]
in 1650-2	no incumbent[5]

NOTES

[1] Lasses, Roll ii, No. 20.
[2] Alsop. Subscribed in 1556.
[3] 1604 return.
[4] Harwood, p. 507.
[5] Return of 1651-2.

HAUGHTON

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments with albe & amice, 1 of white Bruges satin, 1 of red saie, 1 of black sarsenet; 1 silk cope; 2 cruets; 3 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 1 sacring bell; 2 altar cloths; 1 maslyn censer; 1 latten cross; 2 " chaundlers " of wood.

Patrons: 1564, 1577 Philip Bold from the Bowchers or Boursheers of Yorks, 1604 John Walter from Mr Browse?, 1620 Edw Bold.

RECTORS

28 July 1489	ob. 1520	Nich Gravinor
occ. 1533	res. 1540	Nich Gravinor [1]
24 Mar. 1540-1	ob. 1550	Thos Webbe [2]
(6 Mar. 1550-1 ff.		Rich Knight)?
17 Ap. 1551	ob. 1563	Rich Brett [3]
14 Feb. 1563-4	ob. 1577	Laurence Nowell M.A. [4]
19 Dec. 1577	ob. Feb. 1619-20	John Falconer [5]
18 Feb. 1619-20	bur. 20 Oct. 1684	Thos Fletcher B.A. [6]
8 Dec. 1686	bur. 17 Oct. 1730	Wm Royston B.A. [7]

CURATES

occ. 1573-1602	Edw Cooper [8]
occ. 1602	Gyles Hotchkiss [9]
occ. 1606-8	Francis Swynshede [10]
occ. 1610-14	Henry Salt [11]

PRIEST THERE

w.p. 17 June 1556	Wm Styche [12]

NOTES

[1] **Gravinor.** The tomb of the elder Gravinor is in Haughton church with the following inscription: " Hic jacet dns Nicholas Graviner quodam rector istius ecclesie id est qui fabricati fuerunt campanile et campani et capella de Sancta Katerina qui obiit anno dni milesimo quingentesimo vicesimo cuius anime propietur deus." The younger Gravinor paid a tax of 16*s.* in 1533, resigned in 1540 (*Dioc. Reg.*), will pr. 1550.

HAUGHTON

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments with albe & amice, 1 of white Bruges satin, 1 of red saie, 1 of black sarsenet; 1 silk cope; 2 crosses; 3 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 1 sacring bell; 2 altar cloths; 1 mustyn censer; 1 latten cross; 2 "chaundlers" of wood.

Patrons: 1564, 1577 Philip Bold from the Bowchers or Bounshecrs of Yorks, 1604 John Walter from Mr Bromsey, 1620 Edw Bold.

RECTORS

28 July 1469	ob. 1520	Nich Gravinor
occ. 1533	res. 1540	Nich Gravinor[1]
24 Mar. 1540-1	ob. 1550	Thos Webbe[2]
(6 Mar. 1550-1 ff		Rich Knight)?
17 Ap. 1551	ob. 1563	Rich Brett[3]
14 Feb. 1563-4	ob. 1577	Laurence Nowell M.A.[4]
19 Dec. 1577	ob. Feb. 1619-20	John Falconer[5]
18 Feb. 1619-20	bur. 20 Oct. 1664	Thos Fletcher B.A.[6]
8 Dec. 1668	bur. 17 Oct. 1730	Wm Royston B.A.[7]

CURATES

occ. 1573-1601	Edw Cooper[8]
occ. 1602	Gyles Hotchkiss[9]
occ. 1606-8	Francis Swynshede[10]
occ. 1610-14	Henry Salt[11]

PRIEST THERE

w.p. 17 June 1556	Wm Stycke[12]

NOTES

[1] **Gravinor.** The tomb of the elder Gravinor is in Houghton church with the following inscription: "Hic jacet dns Nicholas Gravinor quodam rector istius ecclesie id est qui fabricavit turrim campanile et cancellum et capella de Sancta Katrina qui obiit anno dni millesimo quingentesimo vicesimo cuius anime propietur deus." The younger Gravinor paid a tax of 10s. in 1524 (Dioc. Reg.), will pr. 1550.

[2] **Webbe.** Probably also canon of Penkridge, q.v.

[3] **Brett.** Instituted on death of Webbe (*Dioc. Reg.*), paid first fruits 20 Ap. 1551, also vicar of Rushall occ. 1533-59. Rich Knight paid first fruits for this rectory on 6 Mar. 1550-1, but there is no record of his institution.

[4] **Nowell.** *See* **Drayton Bassett.**

[5] **Falconer.** *See* **Alrewas.** Rectory worth 40*l.* in 1604.

[6] **Fletcher.** B.A. 1613 Ch. Ch. Ox., commoner from co. Berks. (*Foster*). Vicar of Bradeley 1617-24?, presented to Haughton 18 Feb., instituted 11 Mar. 1619-20, occurs as minister here in 1651-2, paid subsidy of 1*l.* in Jan. 1661-2, buried here.

[7] **Royston.** Vicar of Bradeley from 1670.

[8] **Cooper.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris exercitatus, ordained by Thos Bentham, buried 28 May 1632.

[9] **Hotchkiss.** Mentioned in parish register.

[10] **Swynshede.** *Idem. See* **Leigh.**

[11] **Salt.** *See* **Gayton.**

[12] **Styche.** *See* **Church Eaton.**

HIGH OFFLEY

In 1563 a vicarage approp. to the preb. of Offley and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 albes; 2 vestments; 2 copes; 2 altar "close"; 3 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** Godfrey Green & Wm Cowper.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1544	Edmund Snelston [1]
7 Nov. 1544	w.p. 1563	Edmund Jackson [2]
5 June 1563	ob. 1572	Anthony Pyrrins [3]
27 Feb. 1572-3	res. 1573	David Yale M.A.? [4]
26 June 1573	ob. 1580	John Pygotte [5]
1580	ob. 1603?	John Walton [6]
occ. 1604		—— Skelton [7]
8 Nov. 1604		John Butter
13 Oct. 1635		Nathaniel Williams M.A. [8]
occ. 1648 &	Sep. 1651	John Hall [9]
occ. 1651-2	bur. 10 Ap. 1680	Wm Greenwood [10]
16 Oct. 1680 ff.		Joseph Barton [11]

[2] Webbe. Probably also canon of Pontefract, q.v.

[3] Brett. Instituted on death of Webbe (Dec. 1591), paid first fruits 20 Ap. 1592; also vicar of Rowlall occ. 1593-50. Rich Knight paid first fruits for this rectory on 6 Mar. 1590-1, but there is no record of his institution.

[4] Newell. See Drayton Bassett.

[5] Falconer. See Alrewas. Rector worth 40l in 1604.

[6] Fletcher. B.A. 1613 Ch. Ch. Ox. commoner from co. Berks. (Foster). Vicar of Bradeley 1617-24, presented to Hampton 18 Feb., instituted 11 Mar. 1624-20, occurs as minister here in 1651-2, paid subsidy of 1l. in Jan. 1661-2, buried here.

[7] Royston. Vicar of Bradeley from 1670.

[8] Cooper. Scholaris rusticus et in sacris litteris exercitatus, ordained by Thos Bentham, buried 28 May 1692.

[9] Hotchkiss. Mentioned in parish register.

[10] Swynshede. Adam. See Leigh.

[11] Salt. See Gayton.

[12] Slyche. See Church Eaton.

HIGH OFFLEY

In 1563 a vicarage approp. to the prob. of Offley and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Dcn., 4 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 albes; 2 vestments; 2 copes; 2 altar "close"; 3 bells (3). Ch. wdn.: Godfrey Green & Wm Cowper.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1544	Edmund Sneiston [1]
7 Nov. 1544	w.p. 1563	Edmund Jackson [2]
5 June 1563	ob. 1572	Anthony Pyrins [3]
27 Feb. 1572-3	res. 1573	David Vale M.A. [4]
26 June 1573	ob. 1580	John Fygotte [5]
1580	ob. 1603?	John Walton [6]
occ. 1604		—— Skelton [7]
8 Nov. 1604		John Butter
13 Oct. 1635		Nathaniel Williams M.A. [8]
occ. 1648 & Sep. 1651		John Hall [9]
occ. 1651-2 bur. 10 Ap. 1680		Wm Greenwood [10]
16 Oct. 1680 ff.		Joseph Barton [11]

NOTES

[1] **Snelston.** Paid tax of 7*s.* 1¼*d.* in 1533. Name incorrectly printed as Edward in *Valor.*

[2] **Jackson.** Paid a tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as guild priest at Eccleshall in 1533. *See S. H. C.*, IX, n.s., p. 57.

[3] **Pyrrins,** Pycrens, Pyrrens.

[4] **Yale.** Probably fellow of Queens' Coll. Camb., B.A. 1563-4, M.A. 1567, LL.D. 1579 (*Venn*), and a relation of the prebendary—Thos Yale LL.D.—who presented him.

[5] **Pygotte,** Pigott. Rector of Norbury 1567-80.

[6] **Walton.** One of this name M.A. 1575 S. John's Coll. Camb., B.D. 1582, rector of Breadsall, co. Derby, of Gedling, co. Notts., preb. of Wellington 1576-1603, archd. of Derby 1590-1603, ob. 1 June 1603, buried at Derby. (*Harwood*, p. 213; *Venn.*)

[7] **Skelton.** No preacher, utterly unlearned, a mere worldling (1604 *return*). Vicarage worth 40*l.* p.a. in 1604.

[8] **Williams.** *See* **Hamstall Ridware.**

[9] **Hall.** Possibly vicar of Ilam 1632-9. On 12 Ap. 1648 the committee for plundered ministers granted him an augmentation of 22*l.* p.a. out of the rent reserved to the prebendary from this impropriate rectory, as his maintenance was but 35*l.*; previously this augmentation had been granted to the vicar of S. Mary's, Stafford. (*Bod. MS.* 325, p. 220.) Payment of this sum was made by the trustees and confirmed by the committee for the reformation of the universities as late as 26 Sep. 1651, though Hall seems to have gone to Gnosall, q.v., in 1650. (*Sion MS.*, p. 493; *Lamb. MSS.* 978, pp. 618, 625; 979, p. 354; cf. 994, p. 64.)

[10] **Greenwood.** Perhaps matriculated 1645 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Minister here in the winter of 1651-2 (1651-2 *return*), granted aforenamed augmentation by committee for plundered ministers 16 Mar. 1652-3 (*Lamb. MS.* 986, p. 295), no record of its payment known, mentioned by Walker as perhaps sequestered during the "Grand Rebellion"; paid subsidy of 10*s.* in Jan. 1661-2, paid tax on 4 hearths in 1665; buried here (*Gregory*).

[11] **Barton.** Married Cath. Johnson (*Gregory*).

HIMLEY

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapel, in Lapley D.

Ch. Orn., 15 May 1553: 1 partly gilt chalice with paten; 1 corporal with case; 2 brass candlesticks; 2 pewter cruets; 1 red velvet cope; 2 vestments, 1 of green silk, 1 of blue silk; 1 brass censer; 1 brass cross; 2 damask altar hangings; 3

NOTES

[1] **Sneiston.** Paid tax of 7s. 1½d. in 1543. Name incorrectly printed as Edward in Valor.

[2] **Jackson.** Paid a tax of 5s. 4d. as guild priest at Eccleshall in 1513. See S. M. C., IX, n.s., p. 57.

[3] **Pyrrins, Pyrenes, Pyrrens.**

[4] **Vale.** Probably fellow of Queens' Coll. Camb., B.A. 1509-10, M.A. 1567, LL.D. 1579 (Venn), and a relation of the prebendary—This Vale LL.D.—who presented him.

[5] **Pygott, Pigott.** Rector of Norbury 1567-80.

[6] **Walton.** One of this name M.A. 1575 S. John's Coll. Camb., B.D. 1582, rector of Bredsall, co. Derby of Gedling, co. Notts., preb. of Wellington 1576-1603, archd. of Derby 1590-1603, ob. 1 June 1603, buried at Derby. (Harwood, p. 213; Venn.)

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[8] **Williams.** See **Hamstall Ridware.**

[9] **Hall.** Possibly vicar of Ilam 1592-9. On 12 Ap. 1598 the committee for plundered ministers granted him an augmentation of 22l. p.a. out of the rent reserved to the prebendary from this impropriate rectory, as his maintenance was but 33l.; previously this augmentation had been granted to the vicar of S. Mary's, Stafford. (Doc. MS. 323; p. 220.) Payment of this sum was made by the trustees and confirmed by the committee for the reformation of the universities as late as 26 Sep. 1651, though Hall seems to have gone to Cromall, q.v., in 1650. (Sloane MS., p. 493; Lamb. MSS. 979, pp. 618, 623, 979, p. 354; cf. 994, p. 64.)

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[11] **Barton.** Married Cath. Johnson (Gregory).

HIMLEY

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapel, in Lapley D.

Ch. Orn., 15 May 1553: 1 partly gilt chalice with paten; 1 corporal with case; 2 brass candlesticks; 2 pewter cruets; 1 red velvet cope; 2 vestments, 1 of green silk, 1 of blue silk; 1 brass censer; 1 brass cross; 2 damask altar hangings; 3

great bells; 1 small bell. **Ch. wds.:** Rich Pursell & Thos Gunet.

Patrons: 1559-1562 Edward (Sutton) lord Dudley ob. 1586, 1577 Mr Robt Sutton clerk for same, 1604 Edward lord Dudley, 1629 Joan relict of Rich Hanson, rector.

RECTORS

occ. 1535	w.p. 22 Aug. 1558	Wm Asterley [1]
3 Feb. 1558-9	res. 1561	Rich Sampole [2]
18 Mar. 1561-2	ob. 1576	Thos Boothe [3]
9 Feb. 1576-7	ob. 1602	Hen Rabye M.A.? [4]
27 May 1602	ob. 1629	Rich Hanson [5]
9 Sep. 1629		Wm Wilson M.A. [6]
11 Mar. 1633-4	bur. 4 Jan. 1668-9	John Hanson B.A. [7]
30 Mar. 1669	ob. June 1687	John Paston B.A.? [8]

LAMP, ETC.

Certified in 1548 that some unknown donors had given lands worth 16*d.* net p.a. to maintain a lamp in the church, also for bell ropes and other necessaries (*b, r*).

NOTES

[1] **Asterley,** Hasterley. Will pr. twice 22 Aug. 1558, 23 Jan. 1558-9. No rector mentioned in 1533 return, when an unnamed curate paid a tax of 5*s.* 4*d.*

[2] **Sampole.** Rectory declared vacant in Mar. 1561-2 by his free resignation (*Dioc. Reg.*). Apparently resigned before 1 Jan. 1560-1, when rectory is returned as vacant (*Subsidy* 19-509).

[3] **Boothe.** Possibly subscribed at Lichfield in 1559 as Thos Bottum?

[4] **Rabye.** *See* **Wolverhampton.**

[5] **Hanson** (Rich). Perhaps matriculated 1576 at Brasenose Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). No preacher (1604 *return*). Probably curate in charge of Hamstall Ridware in 1599 (*Hamstall Register*). Rectory worth 20*l.* in 1604.

[6] **Wilson.** Perhaps B.A. 1613 Oriel Coll. Ox., a Worcestershire commoner (*Foster*). Instituted as M.A. on the presentation of the widow of the late rector, whose son was instituted as rector 5 years later. Perhaps vicar of Dudley from 1626 and/or curate at Pelsall chapel, occ. 1651-2, ejected thence 1662.

[7] **Hanson** (John). Matriculated 1630 Pemb. Coll. Ox., aged 19, son of Rich Hanson, late rector here (*Foster*). Perhaps sacrist at

great bells; 1 small bell. Ch. wds.: Rich Purnell & Thos Cuttet.

Patrons: 1559-1562 Edward (Sutton) lord Dudley ob. 1586, 1577 Mr Robt Sutton clerk for same, 1591 Edward lord Dudley, 1620 Joan relict of Rich Hanson, rector.

RECTORS

occ. 1535	w.p. 22 Aug. 1558	Wm Astlerey [1]
3 Feb. 1558-9	res. 1581	Rich Sampole [2]
18 Mar. 1581-2	ob. 1576	Thos Booth [3]
9 Feb. 1576-7	ob. 1602	Hen Rabye M.A.? [4]
27 May 1602	ob. 1629	Rich Hanson [5]
9 Sep. 1629		Wm Wilson M.A. [6]
11 Mar. 1633-4	bur. 4 Jan. 1663-9	John Hanson B.A.? [7]
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NOTES

[1] **Astlerey**, Hustlerey, Wm pr. twice 22 Aug. 1558, 23 Jan. 1558-9. No rector mentioned in 1533 return, when an unnamed curate paid a tax of 5s. 4d.

[2] **Sampole**. Rectory declared vacant in Mich 1581-2 by his free resignation (Dioc. Reg.). Apparently resigned before 1 Jan. 1580-1, when rectory is returned as vacant (Subsidy 19-20).

[3] **Booth**. Possibly subscribed at Lichfield in 1559 as Thos Bottum?

[4] **Rabye**. See **Wolverhampton**.

[5] **Hanson** (Rich). Perhaps matriculated 1596 at Brasenose Coll. Ox. (Foster). No preacher (1604 return). Probably curate in charge of Hamstall Ridware in 1599 (Hamstall Regiter). Rectory worth 20l. in 1604.

[6] **Wilson**. Perhaps B.A. 1613 Oriel Coll. Ox., a Worcestershire commoner (Foster). Instituted as M.A. on the presentation of the widow of the late rector, whose son was instituted as rector 5 years later. Perhaps vicar of Dudley from 1640 and/or curate at Pelsall chapel, occ. 1651-2, elected thence 1666.

[7] **Hanson** (John). Matriculated 1630 Pemb. Coll. Ox., aged 19, son of Rich Hanson, late rector here (Foster). Perhaps sacrist at

Wolverhampton in 1677 and author of *The Sabbatarians confuted by the New Covenant*, etc. (*D. N. B.*).

[8] **Paston.** *See* **Kingswinford.**

HINTS

In 1563 a church approp. to the preb. of Hansacre and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 dornick cope; 1 red russel vestment; 1 silk cross cloth; 1 latten cross; 1 latten pyx; 2 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell (*s*). **Chap. wds.:** Thos Damport & Henry Edwardes.

CURATES

occ. 1533		Trafford
	(bur. 17 Jan. 1558-9	John Legge)? [1]
	in 1646	a curate [2]
occ. 1651-2		Joseph Range [3]
(occ. 1653		John Bold)? [4]
occ. 1654	occ. 1655	Jonathan Clay B.A.? [5]
23 Oct. 1656	res. 1658	Francis Hanslipp [6]
29 Sep. 1658	ejected 1662	Thos Brookes [7]
(occ. 1666		Roger Linch M.A.)? [8]
occ. 1678		Thos Langley [9]

NOTES

[1] **Legge.** *See* **Drayton Bassett.**

[2] **Curate.** Not named, granted on 12 Sep. 1646 by committee for plundered ministers an augmentation of 50*l.* out of the profits of this impropriate rectory, sequestered from Dr Hintes (*sic* Higgs?, the dean?), delinquent, over and above the 10*l.* p.a. already paid as salary to the minister here by the said Dr. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 357.)

[3] **Range.** Minister of a place almost illegible in 1651-2 return, but identified with Hints by strong circumstantial evidence.

[4] **Bold.** Vicar of Alrewas at this time, possibly also took charge of this parish, as he acted as minister at three marriages here between Dec. 1653 and Feb. 1653-4 (*Par. Reg.*).

[5] **Clay.** Probably matriculated 1645 Ch. Coll. Camb., B.A. 1648-9, M.A. 1661 Magd. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Married here 13 June 1654 Ruth, dau. of Anthony Burgess of Sutton Coldfield, then aged 25 and described as of Clifton Campville, clerk; as minister here was granted aforenamed augmentation of 50*l.* by the trustees 26 July

1654 (*Lamb. MS.* 973, p. 682), certified the fitness of a candidate for the ministry 20 July 1655. (*Lamb. MS.* 996, p. 162).

[6] **Hanslipp.** Probably matriculated 1637 Oriel Coll. Ox., aged 15, son of Rich Hanslepp of Willenhall, ar. (*Foster*). Recommended by trustees for approbation of commissioners 23 Oct. 1656 (*Lamb. MS.* 974, p. 223), was paid the 50*l.* augmentation till his resignation (*Lamb. MS.* 987, p. 34).

[7] **Brookes.** Probably matriculated 1650-1 Sidney Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Officiated here from 29 Sep. 1658; presented by trustees for approbation 23 Mar. 1658-9 (*Lamb. MSS.* 987, p. 196; 946, No. 2; 983, p. 153); approved and admitted by commissioners 1 May 1659 (*Lamb. MS.* 999, p. 263), "established" and granted aforesaid augmentation by the trustees 28 Oct. 1659 (*Lamb. MS.* 987, p. 34; cf. 981, p. 20; 994, p. 142). On 5 Mar. 1661-2 Brookes issued to Elizabeth, wife of Rich Flyer esq., a licence to eat flesh; ejected 1662 and died in Birmingham in 1670 (*Calamy*).

[8] **Linch.** As minister certifies number of hearths here c. 1665. *See* **Norton Canes.**

[9] **Langley.** Mentioned as curate in transcripts.

HOPTON CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle D. It formerly belonged to Stafford collegiate church, the dean of which found a priest here to do daily service in all things—save burials—as in a parish church. In May 1548 it possessed 4½ oz. of white plate, ornaments worth 2*s.* 4*d.* & 2 bells, also certain lands worth 6*s.* 8*d.* (*b, r*). This chapel and chapel yard were let for 20*d.* p.a. on 11 Feb. 1548-9, as it was not appointed to remain as a chapel of ease. At that time the chapel was covered with shingle and there were not any lands belonging thereto.[1]

On 5 May 1553 3 great bells (*s*) were left in the custody of the Marston ch. wds.

CHAPLAINS

occ. 1533	Thos Fox[2]
occ. 1548	Edmund Walker[3]

NOTES

[1] *T. R. Mis. Bk.* 258, p. 109.

[2] **Fox.** *See* **Penn.**

[3] **Walker.** In 1548 his salary was 4*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* (*d*) and he was granted a pension of 4*l.* (*p, q*). *See* **Aldridge.**

1654 (Lamb. MS. 973, p. 682), certified the fitness of a candidate for the ministry 20 July 1655 (Lamb. MS. 999, p. 162).

[4] Hanslipp. Probably matriculated 1637 Oriel Coll. Ox., aged 15, son of Rich Hanslepp of Willenhall, ar. (Foster). Recommended by trustees for approbation of commissioners 23 Oct. 1656 (Lamb. MS. 974, p. 223), was paid the 50l. augmentation till his resignation (Lamb. MS. 987, p. 31).

[5] Brookes. Probably matriculated 1650-1 Sidney Coll. Camb. (Venn). Officiated here from 29 Sep. 1653; presented by trustees for approbation 23 Mar. 1658-9 (Lamb. MS. 987, p. 156; 946, fo. 2; 983, p. 153); approved and admitted by commissioners 1 May 1659 (Lamb. MS. 999, p. 203), "established" and granted aforesaid augmentation by the trustees 28 Oct. 1659 (Lamb. MS. 987, p. 34; cf. 987, p. 20; 990, p. 142). On 5 Mar. 1661-2 Brookes issued to Elizabeth, wife of Rich Hyer esq., a licence to eat flesh; elected 1662 and died in Birmingham in 1670 (Calamy).

[6] Linch. As minister certifies number of beerths here c. 1665. See Norton Canes.

[7] Langley. Mentioned as curate in transcripts.

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In 1563 a chapel with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle D. It formerly belonged to Stafford collegiate church, the dean of which found a priest here to do daily service in all things—save burials—as in a parish church. In May 1548 it possessed 4½ oz. of white plate, ornaments worth 2s. 4d. & 2 bells, also certain lands worth 6s. 8d. (6, 7). This chapel and chapel yard were let for 20d. p.a. on 21 Feb. 1548-9, as it was not appointed to remain as a chapel of ease. At that time the chapel was covered with shingle and there were not any lands belonging thereto.[1]

On 5 May 1553 3 great bells (7) were left in the custody of the Marston ch. wds.

CHAPLAINS

occ. 1533	Thos Fox[2]
occ. 1548	Rdmund Walker[3]

NOTES

[1] T. R. Mis. Bk. 258, p. 109.

[2] Fox. See Penn.

[3] Walker. In 1548 his salary was 4l. 6s. 8d. (4) and he was granted a pension of 4l. (2, 7). See Aldridge.

HORTON

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle (*sic*) D.

In 1553 a chapel of Leek and in 1604 a church annexed to Leek.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 old vestments with albes, amices & stoles; 3 towels; 2 altar cloths; 1 surplice; 1 brass cross; 1 brass pyx; 1 lead cruet; 1 brass censer; 1 pax; 1 brass bucket; 3 bells (*s*). The bells were bought of the King's Majesty and 20 marks are said to be owing for them. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Bydull & Rich Heath.

Other reports of about this date mention these ornaments, add that the chalice was partly gilt and that the chapel or one aisle of it was covered with lead, but omit any mention of the debt on the bells (*h, m, n*).

For a dispute about a sitting in this chapel in 1547 *see S. H. C.*, 1912, p. 168.

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5		Thos Heth
occ. 1593	w.p. 19 June 1622	Rich Mitchell [1]
	(w.p. 5 Oct. 1637	Thos Hancock)? [2]
occ. 1648		Robt Ward [3]
in 1651-2		no minister
occ. 1657		Rich Edge [4]
occ. 1664-6		Joseph Meykin [4]
occ. 1671		Wm Cataline [4]

NOTES

[1] **Mitchell.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris bene exercitatus. No preacher, no degree (1602 *return*), of loose life, salary 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* (1604 *return*), ordained priest by Wm Overton 4 Oct. 1584, will dated 16 Aug. 1621.

[2] **Hancock.** Described in his will as of Horton, clerk.

[3] **Ward.** Signed the testimony in 1648. On 16 Jan. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted the incumbent here 10*l.* p.a. from this impropriate rectory, sequestered from Francis Biddulph esq., delinquent, and 40*l.* p.a. from the rectory of Lapley, q.v. On 3 Dec. 1652 the committee discovered that this last rectory

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Other reports of about this date mention these ornaments, add that the chalice was partly gilt and that the chapel or one aisle of it was covered with lead, but omit any mention of the debt on the bells (k, m, w).

For a dispute about a sitting in this chapel in 1547 see S. H. C., 1912, p. 168.

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5		Thos Heth
occ. 1595	w.p. 19 June 1622	Rich Mitchell [1]
	(w.p. 5 Oct. 1657)	Thos Hancock? [2]
occ. 1648		Robt Ward [3]
in 1651-2		no minister
occ. 1657		Rich Edge [4]
occ. 1664-5		Joseph Sleydon [4]
occ. 1671		Wm Cutalline [4]

NOTES

[1] **Mitchell.** Scholaris mediis et in artis litteris bene exercitatus. No preacher, no degree (1622 return), of loose life, sahry £4, 0s. 8d. (1604 return), ordained priest by Wm Overton 4 Oct. 1584, will dated 16 Aug. 1621.

[2] **Hancock.** Described in his will as of Horton, clerk.

[3] **Ward.** Signed the testimony in 1648. On 10 Jan. 1649 the committee for plundered ministers granted the incumbent here 10l. p.a. from this impropriate rectory, sequestered from Francis Biddulph esq., delinquent, and 10l. p.a. from the rectory of Lapley, q.v. On 5 Dec. 1652 the committee discovered that this last rectory

could only pay 10*l.*—after paying 50*l.* to its own minister—so this last augmentation was reduced to 10*l.* (*Bod. MS.* 328, p. 213; *S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. II, p. 643.)

[4] **Edge, Meykin, Cataline.** Given on the authority of Hutchinson. Cataline probably had been curate at Betley chapel.

ILAM

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D., formerly approp. to the Abbey of Burton.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 bells (*s*); 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell; 2 pair of silk vestments; 2 albes; 2 amices; 2 altar cloths; 2 corporals with cases; 1 towel; 2 brass candlesticks. **Ch. wds.:** John Chalenor & Wm Widds.

Patrons: 1571 Francis Fitzherbert from John Porte, 1656 the guardians of John Port esq.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1549	Rich Hall
1 Dec. 1549	ob. 1571	John Goodwyn [1]
11 June 1571		Philip Tyllnen
occ. c. 1579	w.p. 23 May 1632	Roger Moss [2]
26 Oct. 1632		John Hall [3]
25 June 1639	bur. 18 Ap. 1656	Thos Mountney M.A.? [4]
11 July 1656	occ. 1660	Thos Brown [5]
6 May 1661 ff.	ob. 1668	Thos Jewell [6]
7 July 1669 ff.	ob. 6 Nov. 1714	Rich Ensor M.A.

A Priest there

occ. 1551	Hen Nycholson [7]

NOTES

[1] **Goodwyn.** Subscribed in 1559, perhaps chaplain at Wolstanton 1533 and curate at Cheddleton c. 1534-9. *See S. H. C.*, 1912, p. 187.

[2] **Moss.** Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris exercitatus, gregem suum bene instructus. No preacher (1602 *return*), a weak preacher (1604 *return*). Ordained and instituted by Thos Bentham.

[3] **Hall.** *See* **High Offley** and **Gnosall.**

[4] **Mountney,** Mounteney. Probably M.A. 1622 Queens' Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Signed testimony 1648.

could only pay 10l.—after paying 50l. to the own minister—so this last augmentation was reduced to 10l. (Eccl. MS. 328, p. 213; S. P. Dom. Inter. E. 2, pt. II, p. 643.)

[4] Edge, Meykin, Catline. Given on the authority of Hutchinson. Catline probably had been curate at Batley chapel.

ILAM

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D., formerly approp. to the Abbey of Burton.

Ch. Dim., 8 May 1533: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 bells (5); 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell; 2 pair of silk vestments; 2 albes; 2 amices; 2 altar cloths; 2 corporals with cases; 1 towel; 2 brass candlesticks. Ch. wds.: John Chalenor & Wm Widdes.

Patrons: 1571 Francis Fitzherbert from John Porte, 1656 the guardians of John Port esq.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1549	Rich Hall
1 Dec. 1549	ob. 1571	John Goudwyn [1]
11 June 1571		Philip Tyllnen
occ. c. 1579	w.p. 23 May 1632	Roger Moss [2]
26 Oct. 1632		John Hall [3]
25 June 1639	bur. 16 Ap. 1656	Thos Mountney M.A.? [4]
11 July 1656	occ. 1660	Thos Brown [5]
6 May 1661 ff.	ob. 1668	Thos Jewell [6]
7 July 1669 ff.	ob. 6 Nov. 1712	Rich Ensor M.A.

A PRIEST THERE

occ. 1551	Hen Nycholson [7]

NOTES

[1] Goodwyn. Subscribed in 1559, perhaps chaplain at Wolstanton 1533 and curate at Cheddleton c. 1534-9. See S. R. C., 1912, p. 187.

[2] Moss. Scholaris rurralis, in aucis litteris exercitatus, gregem suum bene instructus. No preacher (1662 return), a weak preacher (1664 return). Ordained and instituted by Thos Bentham.

[3] Hall. See High Offley and Gnosall.

[4] Mountney. Mountenay. Probably M.A. 1620 Queens' Coll. Camb. (Venn). Signed testimony 1648.

[5] **Brown.** Said by Walker to have been sequestered from this vicarage during the Great Rebellion. Walker states that Brown is by some identified with the M.A. who was vicar of Worksworth, preb. of Gaia minor 1661-3, preb. of Statfold 1663-89, archd. of Derby 1666-89, deprived of all preferments in 1689 for refusing to take the oath to King William (*Harwood*, p. 214).

[6] **Jewell.** Perhaps matriculated 1649-50 Caius Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[7] **Nycholson.** Chaplain to Francis Meverell of Throwley 1551. (*S. H. C.*, 1912, p. 186.)

INGESTRE

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 silver chalice without a paten; 2 vestments; 1 cope; 3 altar cloths; 1 towel; 2 bells (*s*); 1 sacring bell; 1 surplice. **Ch. wds.:** John Froddeswall & Hen Fenton.

Patrons: 1308, 1574, 1604 the Chetwynds. (*S. H. C.*, 1911, p. 71; XVII, p. 221.)

RECTORS

occ. 1533	ob. 1538	Rich Egerton [1]
1538?	ob. 1577	John Underhill [2]
23 Aug. 1577		Wm Clerk [3]
10 Sep. 1591	occ. 1597	Thos Walker [4]
9 Dec. 1597		John Greenwood M.A. [5]
		John Starsmore M.A.? [6]
occ. 1651-62		Mathias Thornton M.A. [7]

CURATES

occ. 1533	John Underhill [2]
occ. 1620	John Huntbache [8]

NOTES

[1] **Egerton.** *See* **Enville.**

[2] **Underhill.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as curate here in 1533; subscribed in 1559; certainly rector when he died in 1577 (*Dioc. Reg.*); perhaps became rector on death of Egerton.

[3] **Clerk.** Possibly rector of Weston-under-Lizard 1572-1606?

[4] **Walker.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris instructus. Ordained priest by Wm Overton 12 Dec. 1581, instituted by him 10 Sep. 1591, indebted to subsidy made 1597-8 (19-559).

[4] **Brown.** Said by Walker to have been sequestered from this vicarage during the Great Rebellion. Walker states that Brown is by some identified with the M.A. who was vicar of Wrixworth, preb. of Gaia minor 1661-3, preb. of Stratold 1663-89, archd. of Derby 1666-89, deprived of all preferments in 1689 for refusing to take the oath to King William (*Harwood*, p. 214).

[5] **Jewell.** Perhaps matriculated 1619-20 Caius Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[6] **Nycholson.** Chaplain to Francis Mewrell of Throwley 1591. (*S. R. C.*, 1912, p. 186.)

INGESTRE

In 1560 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 silver chalice without a paten; 2 vestments; 1 cope; 3 altar cloths; 1 towel; 2 bells (2); 1 sanctus bell; 1 surplice. **Ch. wks.:** John Frodeswell & Hen Fenton.

Patrons: 1308, 1374, 1604 the Chetwynds. (*S. R. C.*, 1921, p. 71; xvii, p. 321.)

RECTORS

occ. 1333	ob. 1358	Rich Egerton [1]
1358?	ob. 1377	John Underhill [2]
23 Aug. 1377		Wm Clerk [3]
10 Sep. 1391	occ. 1397	Thos Walker [4]
9 Dec. 1397		John Greenwood M.A. [5]
		John Starsmore M.A.? [6]
occ. 1634-62		Mathias Thornton M.A. [7]

CURATES

occ. 1533	John Underhill [8]
occ. 1620	John Huntbache [9]

NOTES

[1] **Egerton.** See Enville.

[2] **Underhill.** Paid tax of 3s. 4d. as curate here in 1533; subscribed in 1559; certainly rector when he died in 1377 (*Diocs. Reg.*); perhaps became rector on death of Egerton.

[3] **Clerk.** Possibly rector of Weston-under-Lizard 1572-1606?

[4] **Walker.** Scholaris rarella et in sacris litteris instructus. Ordained priest by Wm. Overton 12 Dec. 1371; instituted by him 10 Sep. 1391, indebted to subsidy made 1397-8 (10-559).

[5] **Greenwood.** M.A. No preacher (1602 *return*), a preacher (1604 *return*), rector of Standon 1604-47? Rectory worth 30*l.* p.a. in 1604.

[6] **Starsmore.** *See next note.* Probably a " gentleman " of co. Leic.; M.A. 1615 Linc. Coll. Ox.; vicar of Coventry in 1618 and rector of Great Warley, Essex, in 1626 (*Foster*).

[7] **Thornton.** Son of Henry Thornton of Crapron (?*sic*), Leic.; B.A. 1641 Linc. Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). Instituted to this rectory on 26 July 1662 on the death of Starsmore (*Dioc. Reg.*), occurs as the incumbent here in the return of 1651-2, which states that he was newly examined and " noe juĩe fãc " as yet sent for to that place. Ordained priest as M.A. on 13 July 1662.

[8] **Huntbache.** *See* **Maer.**

IPSTONES

In 1563 a chapel with cure, but without institution, in Leek D. Described as a chapel of Leek, q.v., until 1553 (*h, m, n*) and in 1604 as a church annexed to Leek.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 satin vestment; 1 albe; 1 stole; 1 fan; 1 corporal; 1 green silk cope; 1 great bell (*s*); 1 sanctus bell. **Ch. wds.:** Robt Masse & James Johnson.

In 1552 the chapel was covered with lead (*h, m, n*).

CURATES

occ. 1533	Thos Daykyn [1]
occ. 1538	John Lokker [2]
occ. 1559-64	a curate [3]
in 1593	no incumbent [4]
occ. 1602	John Walker [5]
occ. 1620	Thos Benteley [6]
occ. 1665	Rich Goulden [7]

NOTES

[1] **Daykin.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

[2] **Lokker.** The Abbot of Dieulacres owed him 1*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.* on 21 Oct. 1538 (*Hibbert*, p. 243).

[3] **Curate.** Not named, regularly paid a salary of 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* by the Exchequer from 1559 (*t*). *Accounts* not examined after 1564.

[4] 1593 *return.*

[4] **Greenwood**, M.A. No preacher (*Ibid.* refers), a preacher (1604 return), rector of Standon 1604-42; Rectory worth 50*l.* p.a. in 1604.

[5] **Starnmore**. See next note. Probably a "gentleman" of co. Lanc.; M.A. 1615 Linc. Coll. Ox.; vicar of Coventry in 1618 and rector of Great Warley, Essex, in 1630 (*Foster*).

[6] **Thornton**. Son of Henry Thornton of Cranham (*Visc.*), Lanc.; B.A. 1641 Linc. Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). Instituted to this rectory on 26 July 1662 on the death of Starnmore (*Dioc. Reg.*), occurs as the incumbent here in the return of 1671-2, which states that he was newly examined and "noe jure fac" as yet sent for to that place. Ordained priest as M.A. on 13 July 1662.

[7] **Huntbache**. See Maer.

IPSTONES

In 1563 a chapel with cure, but without institution, in Leek D. Described as a chapel of Leek, q.v., until 1553 (*ib.*, *vi.*, *n*) and in 1604 as a church annexed to Leek.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 satin vestment; 1 albe; 1 stole; 1 fan; 1 corporal; 1 green silk cope; 1 great bell (4); 1 sanctus bell. Ch. wds.: Kobt Masse & James Johnson.

In 1552 the chapel was covered with lead (*ib.*, *vi.*, *n*).

CURATES

occ. 1533	Thos Daylyn [1]
occ. 1538	John Lokker [2]
occ. 1559-64	a curate [3]
in 1593	no incumbent [4]
occ. 1602	John Walker [5]
occ. 1620	Thos Bentley [6]
occ. 1665	Rich Goulden [7]

NOTES

[1] **Daylin**. Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

[2] **Lokker**. The Abbot of Dieulacres owed him 1*l.* 13*s.* 8*d.* on 21 Oct. 1538 (*Hibbert*, p. 243).

[3] **Curate**. Not named, regularly paid a salary of 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* by the Exchequer from 1559 (*ib.*). Accounts not examined after 1564.

[4] 1593 return.

[5] **Walker.** No preacher, no degree, salary 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* (1602 *return*). In 1604 an unnamed curate here was no preacher, very ignorant, with a salary of 4*l.* or 5*l.* (1604 *return*).

[6] **Benteley.** *See* **Rocester.**

[7] **Goulden.** Given on Hutchinson's authority.

KINGS BROMLEY

In 1563 a chapel approp. to the preb. of Alrewas and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 corporals with red velvet cases; 4 vestments; 2 suites to said vestments; 1 albe; 1 "herse"; 3 surplices; 1 veil; 1 gilt copper cross; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 1 old cross; 3 copes; 6 towels; 6 altar cloths; 3 vestments, 1 of "red sattyn & grene with albe & amys to the same," 1 of white sarsenet with all that belongs to the same, 1 of white fustian with all that belongs to the same; 2 paxes; 2 cruets; 1 hand bell; 4 bells (*s*).
Ch. wds.: Humffrey Wodwarde & Thos Brebende.

Shortly before this Hen Skelton, priest, with others had reported that there was in this chapel 4 bells, 1 suit of ornaments and that the chapel was covered with lead (*n*).

CURATES

occ. 1533		John Wooley [1]
occ. 1553		Hen Skelton [2]
occ. 1604		— Mote [3]
occ. 1633		Nich Cross [4]
occ. 1648		Philip Sharpe B.A.? [5]
in 1651-2		no curate [6]
	bur. 19 Feb. 1655-6	Brutus Hotty [7]
	eject. 1662	John Mott [8]
occ. 1665	bur. 8 Aug. 1677	John Bett [9]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1546 and 1548 that Roger Partrich [10] had left by will a yearly rent of 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* out of the manor of Kings Bromley to find a priest to sing daily mass at the altar of Our Lady within the parish church of Kings Bromley (*a, b, c, r*); that there were no plate or goods belonging to this service

[4] Walker. No preacher, no degree, salary 5l. 0s. 8d. (1650 survey). In 1604 an unnamed curate here was no preacher, very ignorant, with a salary of 4l. or 5l. (1604 return).

[5] Bentley. See Rocester.

[6] Goulden. Given on Hotchkinson's authority.

KINGS BROMLEY

In 1563 a chapel appropr. to the preb. of Alrewas and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Dtn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 corporals with red velvet cases; 4 vestments; 2 suites to said vestments; 1 albe; 1 "berse"; 3 surplices; 1 veil; 1 gilt copper cross; 2 masyn candlesticks; 1 old cross; 3 copes; 6 towels; 6 altar cloths; 3 vestments, 1 of "red suttyn & grene with albe & amys to the same," 1 of white sarsenet with all that belongs to the same, 1 of white lustrin with all that belongs to the same; 2 paxes; 2 cruets; 1 hand bell; 4 bells (3).

Ch. wds.: Humphrey Wodwarde & Thos Brebande.

Shortly before this Sien Skelton, priest, with others had reported that there was in this chapel 4 bells, 1 suit of ornaments and that the chapel was covered with lead (10).

CURATES

occ. 1533		John Wooley[1]
occ. 1553		Hen Skelton[2]
occ. 1604		— Note[3]
occ. 1633		Nich Cross[4]
occ. 1648		Philip Sharpe B.A.?[5]
in 1651-2		no curate[6]
	bur. 19 Feb. 1655-6	Brutus Hutty[7]
	elect. 1662	John Mott[8]
occ. 1665	bur. 8 Aug. 1677	John Bett[9]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1546 and 1548 that Roger Partrich[10] had left by will a yearly rent of 5l. 0s. 8d. out of the manor of Kings Bromley to find a priest to sing daily mass at the altar of Our Lady within the parish church of Kings Bromley (a, b, c, 17); that there were no plate or goods belonging to this service

(*a*, *b*); that the salary of the priest in 1546 was 4*l*. 16*s*. 8*d*. (*a*); that there had been no incumbent of this service since Pentecost 35 Hen. VIII (1543) (*c*).

Discovered in 1552 that only the rent of these lands had been presented, but not the lands and tenements themselves worth 8 marks (*l*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5	Hen Hey [11]
5 Mar. 1541-2 ff. occ. 1544	John Beche [12]
12 Jan. 1544-5	Hugh Shrigley [13]

LAMP, ETC.

Discovered in April 1553 that ½ acre in Broadmeadow let to John Cross for 14*d*. had been given to maintain tapers before (the image of) S. Anne and that 1 rode of "Mydleys" meadow let to Thos Lynne for 8*d*. had been given to maintain a lamp before the "Dore"? (*n*). Four months earlier these (?) two parcels of land had been discovered and their value returned at 3*s*. 4*d*. (*l*).

NOTES

[1] **Wooley.** Paid tax of 5*s*. 4*d*. in 1533. *See note* 11.

[2] **Skelton.** As priest he was one of those who certified the goods discovered here in April 1553, so probably was the curate.

[3] **Mote.** Seldom preacheth, but a preacher (1604 *return*).

[4] **Cross.** Information from Mr Arthur Lane.

[5] **Sharpe.** Apparently held this curacy with that of Armitage, q.v.

[6] No curate. Sharpe late curate (1651-2 *return*).

[7] **Hotty.** Information from Mr Arthur Lane.

[8] **Mott.** Perhaps matriculated 1649 Cath. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Paid subsidy of 5*s*. in Jan. 1661-2, lived in this parish for 4 years after his ejectment, subsequently went to his mother's at Stafford (*Calamy*), where one of his sons was baptized.

[9] **Bett.** As curate certified the number of hearths here c. 1665.

[10] **Partrich,** Preez (1535), Prayers (*a*), Pratrs (*b*), Partriche (*l*). The Partridge family were living at Alrewas in 1259 (*S. H. C.*, x, n.s., p. 265) and were the lords of Kings Bromley temp. Hen. VII and VIII. Their predecessors in this lordship are said to have been the Praers family temp. Edw IV (*S. H. C.*, 1910, p. 197).

[11] **Hey.** Paid a tax of 5*s*. 4*d*. in 1533 and is described as the chantry priest here in the *Valor*, which does not mention the curate here. According to the return of 1533, it is more probable that Hey was curate and Wooley (*see note* 1) the chantry priest.

(*a*, *b*); that the salary of the priest in 1546 was 4*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.* (*a*); that there had been no incumbent of this service since Pentecost 35 Hen. VIII (1543) (*c*).

Discovered in 1552 that only the rent of these lands had been presented, but not the lands and tenements themselves worth 8 marks (*d*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5	Hen Hay [11]
5 Mar. 1541-2 fl. occ. 1544	John Bache [12]
12 Jan. 1544-5	Hugh Shrigley [13]

LAMP, ETC.

Discovered in April 1553 that ½ acre in Broadmeadow let to John Cross for 14*d.* had been given to maintain tapers before (the image of) S. Anne and that 1 rode of "Mydleys" meadow let to Thos Lynne for 8*d.* had been given to maintain a lamp before the "Dore"? (*a*). Four months earlier these (?) two parcels of land had been discovered and their value returned at 7*s.* 4*d.* (*b*).

NOTES

[1] Wooley. Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1543. See note 11.

[2] Skelton. As priest he was one of those who certified the goods discovered here in April 1553, so probably was the curate.

[3] Mole. Seldom preacheth, but a preacher (1604 return).

[4] Cross. Information from Mr Arthur Lane.

[5] Sharpe. Apparently held this curacy with that of Armitage, q.v.

[6] No curate. Sharpe late curate (1653-2 return).

[7] Hotty. Information from Mr Arthur Lane.

[8] Mott. Perhaps matriculated 1619 Camb. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Paid subsidy of 5*s.* in Jan. 1661-2, lived in this parish for 4 years after his ejectment, subsequently went to his mother's at Stafford (Calamy), where one of his sons was baptized.

[9] Bett. As curate certified the number of hearths here c. 1663.

[10] Partrich. Prees (1535), Prayers (*a*), Praets (*b*), Partridge (*b*). The Partridge family were living at Alrewas in 1559 (S. R. C., x, n.s., p. 265) and were the lords of Kings Bromley temp. Hen. VII and VIII. Their predecessors in this lordship are said to have been the Praers family temp. Edw IV (S. R. C., 1910, p. 107).

[11] Hey. Paid a tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1543 and is described as the chantry priest here in the *Valor*, which does not mention the curate here. According to the return of 1533, it is more probable that Hry was curate and Wooley (see note 1) the chantry priest.

[12] **Beche.** *See* **Maer.**

[13] **Shrigley.** His admission is recorded in *Act Book*, IV, p. 139. Probably he never went to Kings Bromley. (*See second line of last page.*)

KINGSLEY

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D. **Ch. Orn.,** 8 May 1533: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 2 corporal cases; 3 altar cloths; 1 silk cope lacking the cape; 3 vestments, 1 of white satin, 1 of white silk without lining, 1 of blue silk "branched"; 1 hand bell; 2 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** Thos Aderley & John Thornburye.

Patrons: 1344-1439 (*S. H. C.*, XI, pp. 184, 188, 245; X, n.s., pp. 137, 145), 1564 Hum Dethrycke.

RECTORS

27 Feb. 1530	w.p. 4 Ap. 1564	Robt Bruce
5 Nov. 1564		Rich Foster M.A.? [1]
13 Ap. 1565		Thos Byckeley D.D. [2]
1577		John Vaughan B.A.? [3]
10 Feb. 1579-80 ff.	w.p. 27 Mar. 1607	Nich Steedman [4]
15 Jan. 1606-7	occ. 1656	Geo Taylor [5]
13 May 1658 ff.	occ. 1666	Josiah Stubbs M.A.? [6]

CURATES

occ. 1533	John Saunder
occ. 1571	John Berdmore [7]
occ. 1580	James Ridings [8]
(c. 1610-20)?	Hen Shaw [9]

THE JESUS CHANTRY

Certified in 1546-8 to have been founded by Hugh Adderly, clerk, for a priest to sing mass daily at the altar of Jesus and to teach the poor children of the parish grammar, reading and singing. Apparently it was endowed with 1 messuage and 100 acres of land in K., the net income from which was valued in 1546 at 5*l.* 0*s.* 11¾*d.* (all paid to the priest) (*a*); in May 1548 at 6*l.* 1*s.* 0*d.* (*b*); in June 1548 at 6*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.* (of which 3*l.* 19*s.* 11¾*d.* had been allotted to the service and 1*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* to the school) (*c*) and circa 1550 at 6*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.* (*r*). There was also a further endow-

[1] Beche. See Mater.

[2] Shrigley. His admission is recorded in Ad Bonk, iv, p. 129. Probably he never went to Kings Bromley. (See second line of last page.)

KINGSLEY

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1533: 1 purity gilt silver chalice with paten; 2 corporal cases; 3 altar cloths; 1 silk cope lacking the cape; 3 vestments, 1 of white satin, 1 of white silk without lining, 1 of blue silk "branched"; 1 hand bell; 2 bells (3). Ch. Wds.: Thos Adeley & John Thornbury.

Pat. Rms: 1344-1439 (S.-R. C., xi, pp. 188, 188, 245; x, ms., pp. 127, 145); 1564 Hum Dethryche.

RECTORS

27 Feb. 1330	w.p. 4 Ap. 1364	Robt Bruce
5 Nov. 1364		Rich Foster M.A.? [1]
13 Ap. 1365		Thos Bycheley D.D. [2]
1377		John Vaughan B.A.? [3]
10 Feb. 1379-80 ff.	w.p. 27 Mar. 1607	Nich Steedman [4]
15 Jan. 1600-7	occ. 1635	Geo Taylor [5]
13 May 1638 ff.	occ. 1666	Josiah Stubbs M.A.? [6]

CURATES

occ. 1533	John Saunder
occ. 1571	John Bardmore [7]
occ. 1580	James Ridings [8]
(c. 1610-20)?	Hen Shaw [9]

THE JESUS CHANTRY

Certified in 1548-9 to have been founded by Hugh Adderly, clerk, for a priest to sing mass daily at the altar of Jesus and to teach the poor children of the parish grammar, reading and singing. Apparently it was endowed with 1 messuage and 100 acres of land in K., the net income from which was valued in 1546 at 5l. 0s. 11¾d. (all paid to the priest) (a); in May 1548 at 6l. 1s. 0d. (b); in June 1548 at 6l. 0s. 2d. (of which 3l. 10s. 11¾d. had been allotted to the service and 1l. 11s. 8d. to the school) (c) and circa 1550 at 6l. 0s. 2d. (d). There was also a further endow-

ment of this chantry, which consisted of lands etc. given by Thos Meyte worth 6*s.* 8*d.* net p.a. that he might be prayed for for ever by the said priest and of 20*s.* in ready money and 4 kine worth 53*s.* 4*d.* that had been given by donors then unknown. There were no goods or plate belonging to this service.[10]

On 20 July 1548 the commissioners ordered that the grammar school here should be continued with the then incumbent (Berdmore) as schoolmaster at a salary of 3*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* p.a.[13]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	Hen Jenkins
occ. 1535	Hen Smyth[11]
30 Jan. 1542-3 ff. occ. 1548	John Berdmore[12]

NOTES

[1] **Foster.** *See* **Cheadle.**

[2] **Byckeley.** Fellow 1541 of Magd. Coll. Ox., M.A. 1545, B.D. 1552, D.D. 1570. One of the king's chaplains at Windsor during the reign of Edw VI; went to France during Qn Mary's reign; became chancellor of Lich. 1560, rector of Biddenham, Kent, 1562, archd. of Stafford 1567, canon of Lincoln 1572, rector of Sutton Waldron, Dorset, 1578, bishop of Chichester 1585 till his death on 30 Ap. 1596 (*D. N. B.*, *Foster*, etc.). Appointed to this living by the Crown on 13 Ap., though not instituted till 16 Aug. 1565.

[3] **Vaughan.** Probably B.A. 1560-1 Peterhouse Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[4] **Steedman.** Scholaris oxoniensis et praedicator publicus. No degree, non-resident, pluralist, a preacher, "but preacheth seldom" (1602-4 *returns*). Matriculated at Jesus Coll. Ox. 27 June 1580 (*Foster*), i.e. after he had paid first fruits for this rectory; ordained priest by Wm, bp of Chester; also rector of Thorpe, co. Derby, in 1593. Rectory worth 60*l.* in 1604.

[5] **Taylor.** Signed as rector the deed by which John Davenport, clerk, was appointed parish registrar on 20 Feb. 1656 (56-7?). Possibly a Camb. graduate. *See Venn.*

[6] **Stubbs.** Paid first fruits for second time 4 Jan. 1661-2, also subsidy of 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* same month. *See* **Blore Ray.**

[7] **Berdmore.** Paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1571 as curate (19-523); probably had been the chantry priest here.

[8] **Ridings.** Paid the same in 1580 (19-535). *See* **Norbury.**

[9] **Shaw.** "Sometime curate" here, buried at Burslem 12 Dec. 1627; his wife Ellen buried there 5 Mar. 1619-20.

[10] *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 519, p. 61, and *a*, *b*, *c*, *r*.

ment of this chantry, which consisted of lands etc. given by Thos Meyte worth 6s. 8d. net p.a. that he might be prayed for for ever by the said priest and of 20s. in ready money and 4 kine worth 33s. 4d. that had been given by donors then unknown. There were no goods or plate belonging to this service.[10]

On 20 July 1548 the commissioners ordered that the grammar school here should be continued with the then incumbent (Berdmore) as schoolmaster at a salary of 4l. 10s. 0d. p.a.[11]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	Hen Jenkins
occ. 1535	Hum Smyth[1]
30 Jan. 1542-3 to occ. 1548	John Berdmore[12]

NOTES

[1] Foster. See Chiselle.

[2] Bykeleye. Fellow 1511 of Magd. Coll. Ox., M.A. 1545, B.D. 1552, D.D. 1570. One of the king's chaplains at Windsor during the reign of Edw VI; went to France during Qn Mary's reign; became chancellor of Lich. 1560, rector of Biddenham, Kent, 1563, archd. of Stafford 1567, canon of Lincoln 1572, rector of Sutton Waldron, Dorset, 1578, bishop of Chichester 1585 till his death on 20 Apr 1596 (D. N. B., Foster, etc.). Appointed to this living by the Crown on 13 Ap., though not instituted till 16 Aug. 1565.

[3] Vaughan. Probably B.A. 1560-1 Peterhouse Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[4] Stiedman. Scholaris oxoniensis et praedicator publicus. No degree, non-resident, pluralist, a preacher, "but preacheth seldom" (1602-4 returns). Matriculated at Jesus Coll. Ox. 27 June 1580 (Foster), i.e. after he had paid first fruits for this rectory; ordained priest by Wm, bp of Chester; also rector of Thorpe, co. Derby, in 1593. Rectory worth 60l. in 1604.

[5] Taylor. Signed as rector the deed by which John Davenport, clerk, was appointed parish registrar on 20 Feb. 1590 (56-7). Possibly a Camb. graduate. See Venn.

[6] Stubbs. Paid first fruits for second time 4 Jan. 1601-2, also subsidy of 1l. 10s. 0d. same month. See Bliere Ray.

[7] Berdmore. Paid subsidy of 6s. 8d. in 1571 as curate (19-523); probably had been the chantry priest here.

[8] Ridings. Paid the same in 1580 (19-533). See Norbury.

[9] Shaw. "Sometime curate" here, buried at Burslem 12 Dec. 1627; his wife Ellen buried there 5 Mar. 1619-20.

[10] Ang. Mis. 2d. 319, p. 61, and a. 8, a. 7.

[11] **Smyth.** Mentioned in printed *Valor*.

[12] **Berdmore.** Granted a pension of 79*s.* 11*d.* in June 1548 (*p*). Possibly chaplain at Grindon 1533, probably became curate here (*note* 7).

[13] *Grants.*

KINGSTONE

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution, in Leek (*sic*) D. In 1533 called a chapel in Leek D. Formerly approp. to Rocester Priory.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 4 old vestments; 2 albes; 2 amices; 4 altar cloths; 1 surplice; 1 rochet; 2 towels; 3 bells; 1 sanctus bell (*s*); 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell; 1 brass cross; 2 tin cruets; 1 brass censer; 1 saie cope. **Ch. wds.:** John Lee & Wm Alsbye (Alsop?).

The church was usually served by curates as the rectory was leased by laymen. Only one clerical rector is known.

CLERICAL RECTOR

bur. Aug. 1580	John Russell [1]

CURATES

occ. 1533	w.p. 9 May 1558	John Abell [2]
occ. 1580		Christopher Preese [3]
occ. 1593		Thos Eckles [4]
occ. 1596		Thos Bolton [5]
occ. 1604		— Linney [6]
19 Nov. 1609		Robt Gee [7]
occ. 1636-40		Rich Rhodes [8]
in 1651-2		no curate [9]
1652		John Beeby [10]
occ. 1666?	occ. 1678-81	Thos Orton [11]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Discovered in 1552 that there were 4 kine belonging to Our Lady priest here in the hands of Wm Alsop & John Lee (*h, m*).

INCUMBENTS

None known

NOTES

[1] **Russell.** *See* **Colwich.**

[2] **Abell.** As curate here paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533. No rector named in this return.

[3] **Preese.** Curate of Russell and a legatee under his will.

[4] **Eckles.** Scholaris ruralis et mediocriter doctus, ordained by Thos Bentham.

[5] **Bolton.** Occurs as curate in parish register.

[6] **Linney.** No preacher (1604 *return*).

[7] **Gee.** " Began to read prayers here " on 19 Nov. 1609 (*Par. Reg.*). One of this name matriculated 1606 Corp. Ch. Camb. (*Venn*).

[8] **Rhodes.** Occurs as curate in the parish register. A Lincolnshire commoner of this name took his B.A. at Oxford in 1625, but is not likely to be identical with this curate, as Foster states he became vicar of East Stoke juxta Newark in 1635.

[9] " This place is without a minister " (1651-2 *return*).

[10] **Beeby.** On 28 May 1652 the committee for plundered ministers granted him 40*l.* p.a. from the rectory of Colton, sequestered from Lady Aston, recusant, as his income did not exceed 10*l.* p.a. (*Bod. MS.* 328, p. 148; *S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. 11, pp. 505, 507.) One of this name was minister at Tidswell till 1660 and afterwards at Sheldon, Derbs., till ejected in 1662 (*Calamy*).

[11] **Orton.** *See* **Gratwich.**

KINGSWINFORD

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D.

Ch. Orn., 15 May 1553: 3 copes, 1 of white Bruges satin, 1 of silk (divers colours), 1 of blue velvet; 3 vestments, 1 of tawney worsted, 1 of red silk, 1 of violet silk; 1 silver pyx with cover; 1 copper cross; 4 bells (*s*); 2 sacring bells. Mem.: 2 chalices were stolen out of the church in Aug. 1548. **Ch. wds.:** Hum Tomys & Gyles Woodhouse.

Patrons: 1368, Sir Rich de Duddeley kt (*S. H. C.*, x, n.s., pp. 122, 144), 1556 Walter Wrottesley, 1577-1604 Edw lord Dudley, 1622-6 John Paston.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	w.p. 19 Jan. 1556-7	Thos Alen
29 Nov. 1556	ob. 1577	Arthur Dudley [1]
19 Dec. 1577	ob. 1622	Nich Paston M.A. [2]

NOTES

[1] Russell. See Colwich.

[2] Abell. As curate here paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1534. No rector named in this return.

[3] Preese. Curate of Russell and a legatee under his will.

[4] Eckles. Scholaris ruralis et mediocriter doctus, ordained by Thos Bentham.

[5] Holton. Occurs as curate in parish register.

[6] Linney. No preacher (1604 return).

[7] Gee. "Began to read prayers here" on 10 Nov. 1604 (Par. Reg.). One of this name matriculated 1606 Corp. Ch. Camb. (Foster).

[8] Rhodes. Occurs as curate in the parish register. A Lincolnshire commoner of this name took his B.A. at Oxford in 1625, but is not likely to be identical with this curate, as Foster states he became vicar of East Stoke juxta Newark in 1633.

[9] "This place is without a minister" (1651-2 return).

[10] Beedy. On 28 May 1652 the committee for plundered ministers granted him 40l. p.a. from the rectory of Colton, sequestered from Lady Aston, recusant, as his income did not exceed 10l. p.a. (Rel. MS. 328, p. 148; S. P. Dom. Inter. F. 2, pt. 11, pp. 505, 507.) One of this name was minister at Tidswell till 1660 and afterwards at Sheldon, Derbs., till ejected in 1662 (Calamy).

[11] Orton. See Gratwich.

KINGSWINFORD

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Patrons: 1368, Sir Rich de Dudeley Kt (S. W. C., x, 118, pp. 122, 144), 1556 Walter Wrottesley, 1577-1604 Edw Lord Dudley, 1622-6 John Paston.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	w.p. 19 Jan. 1556-7	Thos Alen
29 Nov. 1556	ob. 1577	Arthur Dudley [1]
19 Dec. 1577	ob. 1622	Rich Paston M.A. [2]

13 May 1622	res. Jan. 1625-6	Geo Paston M.A. [3]
25 Jan. 1625-6	ob. 1669	Nich Paston M.A. [4]
28 Jan. 1669-70		Francis Ashenhurst M.A. [5]
	ob. June 1687	John Paston B.A.? [6]

CURATE

occ. 1568 Wm Teylor [7]

CHAPEL OF S. ANN

The Rental reports an endowment of 5*s.* 0*d.* for a stipendiary to sing mass each week in this chapel.

STIPENDIARY

occ. 1533 Wm Blakemore

NOTES

[1] **Dudley.** Son of Edward lord Dudley (ob. 1532); preb. of Pipa parva (1521-3); of Longdon (1523-31); of Colwich (1531-77); preb. at Worcester 1552-77; perhaps held other preferments outside the county. It was he who stole the relics of S. Chad from the cathedral at Lichfield. He subscribed in 1559 (*S. H. C.*, IX, pt. ii, pp. 89, 90; *Simms*).

[2] **Paston** (Nich). B.A.; gregem suum bene instruens. No preacher (1604 *return*). Ordained priest by Nich, bp. of Worc.; married Joyce Mauncell of Halesowen in 1598; preb. of Ryton 1605-22. Rectory worth 40*l.* in 1604. Will pr. 11 Oct. 1623 (*P.C.C.* 103, *Swann*).

[3] **Paston** (Geo). *See* **Drayton Bassett.**

[4] **Paston** (Nich). M.A. 1623 Magdalen Hall, Ox. (*Foster*); ordained priest 18 Dec. 1624; signed the testimony in 1648; paid a subsidy of 3*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* in Jan. 1661-2.

[5] **Ashenhurst.** Son of Edward Ashenhurst of Old Park, Sedgley; M.A. 1670 S. Mary's Hall, Ox.; married at Pipe Ridware on 3 Nov. 1675 Ann, dau. of John Whitehall of Park Hall; died in 1704. Vicar of Wootton Waven 1664, master of S. John's Hospital, Lichfield (1673-1704), preb. of Ufton cantoris 1684-9, of Wellington 1689-1704, canon of Lincoln 1689, archd. of Derby 1689-1704 (*Simms*).

[6] **Paston** (John). Probably ordained deacon as B.A. 13 July 1662. Rector of Himley 1669-87, sacrist Wolverhampton 1677. One of this name matriculated 1666 Magd. Hall, Ox., as son of Wm Paston of Kingswinford (*Foster, Simms*).

[7] **Teylor.** Paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* as curate here in 1568 (19-516); probably vicar of Penn, q.v., 1573-1628?

13 May 1622	res. Jan. 1623-6	Gen Paston M.A.[1]
25 Jan. 1623-6	ob. 1669	Nich Paston M.A.[2]
28 Jan. 1669-70		Francis Ashenhurst M.A.[3]
	ob. June 1687	John Paston B.A.?[4]

CURATE

occ. 1658	Wm Taylor[5]

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STIPENDIARY

occ. 1533	Wm Blakemore

NOTES

[1] Dudley. Son of Edward lord Dudley (ob. 1532); preb. of Pipa parva (1521-3); of Langdon (1523-32); of Colwich (1531-77); preb. at Worcester 1532-77; perhaps held other preferments outside the county. It was he who stole the relics of S. Chad from the cathedral at Lichfield. He subscribed in 1559 (S. A. C., IX, pt. ii, pp. 89, 90; Simms).

[2] Paston (Nich). B.A.; *gregem suum bene instruens*. No preacher (1604 return). Ordained priest by Nich, bp. of Worc.; married Joyce Mauncell of Halesowen in 1608; preb. of Ryton 1604-22. Rector worth £40 in 1609, Will pr. 11 Oct. 1623 (P.C.C. 109, Simms).

[3] Paston (Geo). See Dryton Bassett.

[4] Paston (Nich). M.A. 1609 Magdalen Hall, Ox. (Foster); ordained priest 18 Dec. 1624; signed the testimony in 1648; paid a subsidy of £4 0s. 0d. in Jan. 1661-2.

[5] Ashenhurst. Son of Edward Ashenhurst of Old Park, Sedgley; M.A. 1670 S. Mary's Hall, Ox.; married at Pipe Ridware on 3 Nov. 1675 Ann, dau. of John Whitehall of Park Hall; died in 1704, Vicar of Wootton Wawen 1664, master of S. John's Hospital, Lichfield (1673-1704), preb. of Ulton cantoris 1684-9, of Wellington 1689-1704, canon of Lincoln 1689, archd. of Derby 1689-1704 (Simms).

[6] Paston (John). Probably ordained deacon as B.A. 13 July 1662. Rector of Hilmley 1669-87, assist Wolverhampton 1677. One of this name matriculated 1666 Magd. Hall, Ox., as son of Wm Paston of Kingswinford (Foster, Simms).

[7] Taylor. Paid subsidy of 6s. 8d. as curate here in 1658 (19-210); probably vicar of Penn, q.v., 1673-1682?

KINVER

In 1563 a church, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D., formerly approp. to the Abbot & Convent of Bordesley, co. Worc.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 suits of vestments, 1 of blue satin with cope of blue velvet, 1 of black silk with cope of dun velvet; 3 pairs of vestments, 1 of green damask, 1 of white damask, 1 of blue Bruges satin; 3 corporal cases; 3 altar cloths; 3 cloths that hang afore the altar, 1 of red satin, 1 of white cloth, 1 painted; 4 towels; 1 gilt copper cross; 1 brass pyx; 3 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** Rich Ledall & Edward Watkins.

CURATES

occ. 1533		Wm Smyth [1]
occ. 1560		Thos . . . [2]
occ. 1563		John Cooke [3]
(occ. 1570		Rich Mansell)? [4]
	(bur. 4 May 1577	Fran Symkys)? [5]
occ. 1593-1610		Wm Shelburne M.A. [6]
occ. 1620-30		Edw Jones M.A.? [7]
occ. 1646		John Cross [8]
occ. 1649		Wm Kimberley [9]
occ. 1652		Samuel Smith [10]
occ. 1655	bur. 28 Sep. 1658	Roger Kimberley B.A.? [11]
	eject. 1662	Thos Morton M.A. [12]
occ. 1662-77		Jonathan Newey B.A.? [13]

PRIESTS THERE

occ 1533	Thos Randull [14]
occ. 1533	Thos Tranter [15]
occ. 1533	Edw Lawrys [16]

READER

occ. 1620	John Cross [8]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1546-8 that on 1 May 1514 John Perot and others had given money etc. to find a priest to sing (mass)

KINVER

In 1563 a church, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D., formerly approp. to the Abbot & Convent of Bordesley, co. Worc.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 suits of vestments, 1 of blue satin with cope of blue velvet, 1 of black silk with cope of dun velvet; 3 pairs of vestments, 1 of green damask, 1 of white damask, 1 of blue Bruges satin; 3 corporal cases; 3 altar cloths; 3 cloths that hang afore the altar, 1 of red satin, 1 of white cloth, 1 painted; 4 towels; 1 gilt copper cross; 1 brass pyx; 3 bells (s). **Ch. wds.:** Rich Ladall & Edward Watkins.

CURATES

occ. 1533		Wm Smyth [1]
occ. 1560		Thos . . . [2]
occ. 1563		John Cooke [3]
(occ. 1570		Richd Mensell)? [4]
	(bur. 4 May 1577	Evan Symkys)? [5]
occ. 1593-1610		Wm Shelthorne M.A. [6]
occ. 1620-30		Edw Jones M.A.? [7]
occ. 1640		John Cross [8]
occ. 1649		Wm Kimberley [9]
occ. 1652		Samuel Smith [10]
occ. 1655	bur. 26 Sep. 1658	Roger Kimberley B.A.? [11]
	elect. 1663	Thos Morton M.A. [12]
occ. 1662-77		Jonathan Newey B.A.? [13]

PRIESTS THERE

occ. 1533	Thos Randall [14]
occ. 1533	Thos Taylor [15]
occ. 1533	Edw Lawrys [16]

READER

occ. 1620	John Cross [8]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1546-8 that on 1 May 1514 John Perot and others had given money etc. to find a priest to sing (mass)

daily at the altar of Our Lady within the parish church (*a*, *b*); that this priest had lately kept a free school for the children of Kinver parish (*b*); that this service was endowed with property worth in 1546 5*l*. 16*s*. 6*d*. and the house wherein the priest dwelleth valued at 20*s*. p.a. (*a*), in 1548 6*l*. 5*s*. 1*d*. net p.a. (*b*, *c*, *r*)[17]; that the salary of the priest was 4*l*. 19*s*. 6*d*. in 1546 (*a*) and 5*l*. 8*s*. 1*d*. in 1548 (*c*); that no plate or goods belonged to this service (*a*, *b*).

Discovered in 1552-3 that the following property belonged to this service, viz.: the Planke Yate (i.e. Gate) meadow let to Rich Shakeston for 4*s*., the School Close let to Robt Vincent for 3*s*. (*n*) or 3*s*. 4*d*. (*h*), a parcel of meadow nigh to Gospel Ash let to Rich Shaxton? for 4*d*. (*h*, *n*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5	Rich Blockeley[18]
occ. 1548	Wm Poole[19]

WHITTINGTON CHURCH

Not mentioned in the 1563 or any subsequent returns. One return of 1552 states that the Planke Yate, Schole & Gospel Ash meadows belonged to the stipendiary here (*l*).

OBIT HERE

Discovered in 1552 that there was one cow for an obit here in the hands of John Waltho? (*m*).

LAMP

Also that there was a cottage and lands here let to John Hopkins for 8*s*. p.a. belonging to a lamp (*l*).

NOTES

[1] **Smyth.** Paid tax of 6*s*. 2½*d*. in 1533 as curate here. *See* **Handsworth.**

[2] *Illegible* (Thos). Paid subsidy of 6*s*. 8*d*. in 1560 (19-508).

[3] **Cooke.** Described as curate and schoolmaster on the occasion of his son's baptism here 19 Ap. 1563.

[4] **Mansell.** A son of Rich Mansell, clerk, and Ann his wife was baptized here 26 Nov. 1570. Probably Mansell became vicar choral at Wolverhampton, q.v.

[5] **Symkys.** Described as clerk in burial register.

[6] **Shelburne.** Matriculated 1584 Magd. Hall, Ox., aged 16, from

daily at the altar of Our Lady within the parish church (a, b); that this priest had lately kept a free school for the children of Kinver parish (b); that this service was endowed with property worth in 1546 5l. 10s. 6d. and the house wherein the priest dwelleth valued at 20s. p.a. (a), in 1548 6l. 5s. 1d. net p.a. (b, c, v) [1]; that the salary of the priest was 4l. 10s. 6d. in 1546 (a) and 5l. 8s. 1d. in 1548 (c); that no plate or goods belonged to this service (a, b).

Discovered in 1552-3 that the following property belonged to this service, viz.: the Planke Yate (i.e. Gate) meadow let to Rich Shakeston for 4s., the School Close let to Robt Vincent for 3s. (n) or 3s. 4d. (b), a parcel of meadow nigh to Gospel Ash let to Rich Saxton? for 4d. (b, n).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5 Rich Bloodeley [2]
occ. 1548 Wm Poole [3]

WHITTINGTON CHURCH

Not mentioned in the 1563 or any subsequent returns. One return of 1552 states that the Planke Yate, Schole & Gospel Ash meadows belonged to the stipendiary here (b).

OBIT HERE

Discovered in 1552 that there was one cow for an obit here in the hands of John Walthe? (m).

LAMP

Also that there was a cottage and lands here let to John Hopkins for 8s. p.a. belonging to a lamp (b).

NOTES

[1] Smyth. Paid tax of 6s. 2½d. in 1533 as curate here. See Handsworth.

[2] Illegible (Thos). Paid subsidy of 6s. 8d. in 1560 (19-50s).

[3] Cooke. Described as curate and schoolmaster on the occasion of his son's baptism here 19 Ap. 1562.

[4] Mansell. A son of Rich Mansell, clerk, and Ann his wife was baptized here 26 Nov. 1570. Probably Mansell became vicar choral at Wolverhampton, q.v.

[5] Symkye. Described as clerk in burial register.

[6] Shelburne. Matriculated 1584 Magd. Hall Ox., aged 16, from

Northants; did not appear for examination in 1593; a preacher, stipend 10*l.* (1604 *return*; cf. *Mander*, p. 68.)

[7] **Jones,** Joanes, Johns. Perhaps M.A. 1613 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). A preacher (1620 *return* and *parish register*). His children were baptized here between 1621 and 1630.

[8] **Cross.** First occurs here as "reader" (1620 *return*). On 13 June 1646 the committee for plundered ministers found that his maintenance was but 40*l.* p.a., so it granted him an augmentation of 70*l.* p.a. out of the rents, etc., of the dean and chapter of Lichfield. It described him as a learned and orthodox divine, the preacher of the parish church of Kinver. (*Bod. MS.* 323, pp. 266, 269, 358; *S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, pp. 199, 209.) Possibly a Cambridge graduate (*Venn*).

[9] **Kimberley** (Wm). Described in the parish register as minister and schoolmaster (*see* **Wolverhampton**). One of this name took his M.A. in 1640 from Sidney Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[10] **Smith.** On 21 May 1652 the aforesaid committee granted him 25*l.* p.a. from the impropriate tithes of the collegiate church of Penkridge, sequestered from Sir Edw Littleton bart., delinquent. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. II, p. 490; *Bod. MS.* 328, p. 148.) Perhaps he had been the vicar of Penn before 1646. There are many possible Cambridge graduates of this name (*Venn*).

[11] **Kimberley** (Roger). Perhaps B.A. 1652 Pemb. Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). In 1655 the trustees renewed an augmentation of 10*l.* p.a. (*Shaw*, II, p. 505.) Apparently this was in addition to another augmentation of 45*l.* p.a. (*Lamb. MSS.* 981, pp. 21, 22; 994, p. 142.) Both minister and schoolmaster; left 50*l.* to found a charity here. (*Griffith*, p. 113.)

[12] **Morton.** Matriculated 1653 Magd. Hall, Ox.; fellow of New Coll. Ox. in 1658; M.A. 1659; paid a subsidy of 10*s.* 0*d.* in Jan. 1661-2; after his ejection took his M.D. at Oxford in 1670, F.R.C.P. in 1679; incorporated M.D. at Camb. in 1680; censor of the college of physicians in 1690, '91, '97; physician to the king; wrote *Phthiscologia* in 1689, etc. (*D. N. B.*, *Foster*, *Simms*).

[13] **Newey.** A great benefactor to the poor here and with his wife gave the large silver chalice to the church (*Simms*). One of this name B.A. 1659 Pemb. Coll. Ox.; rector of Doverdale, co. Worc., 1704-16 (*Foster*).

[14] **Randull.** Paid tax of 7*s.* 1¼*d.* as priest here in 1533.

[15] **Tranter.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as priest here in 1533.

[16] **Lawrys.** Paid same.

[17] Circa 1550 this property consisted of 3*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.* from freehold lands and rents, 1*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.* from copyhold lands and 1*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.* from rents out of copyhold lands, whereof 2*s.* 3*d.* was paid back to the

Northants; did not appear for examination in 1593; a preacher, ordained 1601 (1604 return; cf. Mander, p. 68.)

[7] Jones, Joanes, Johnes. Perhaps M.A. 1623 Jesus Coll. Camb. (Venn). A preacher (1620 return and parish register). His children were baptized here between 1621 and 1630.

[8] Cross, First occurs here as "reader" (1620 return). On 12 June 1646 the committee for plundered ministers found that his maintenance was but 40l. p.a., so it granted him an augmentation of 20l. p.a. out of the rents, etc., of the deaneries and chapter of Lichfield. It described him as a learned and orthodox divine, the preacher of the parish church of Kinver. (Bod. MS. 323, pp. 206, 289, 338; S. P. Dom. Inter. F. 1, pp. 109, 209.) Possibly a Cambridge graduate (Venn).

[9] Kimberley (Wm). Described in the parish register as minister and schoolmaster (see Wolverhampton). One of this name took his M.A. in 1640 from Sidney Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[10] Smith. On 21 May 1652 the sequestrated committee granted him 45l. p.a. from the impropriate tithes of the collegiate church of Penkridge, sequestered from Sir Edw Littleton bart., delinquent. (S. P. Dom. Inter. F. 2, pt. II, p. 400; Bod. MS. 338 p. 143.) Perhaps he had been the vicar of Penn before 1646. There are many possible Cambridge graduates of this name (Venn).

[11] Kimberley (Roger). Perhaps B.A. 1652 Pemb. Coll. Ox. (Foster). In 1653 the trustees renewed an augmentation of 10l. p.a. (Shaw, II, p. 395.) Apparently this was in addition to another augmentation of 45l. p.a. (Lamb. MSS. 931, pp. 22, 23, 99, p. 112.) Both minister and schoolmaster; left 30l. to found a charity here. (Gr(iffith) p. 113.)

[12] Morton. Matriculated 1653 Magd. Hall, Ox.; fellow of New Coll. Ox. in 1658; M.A. 1659; paid a subsidy of 10s. 0d. in Jan. 1661-2; after his ejection took his M.D. at Oxford in 1670, F.R.C.P. in 1679; incorporated M.D. at Camb. in 1680; censor of the college of physicians in 1690, '91, '97; physician to the king; wrote Pathologia in 1680, etc. (D. N. B., Foster, Shaws).

[13] Newey. A great benefactor to the poor here and with his wife gave the large silver chalice to the church (Shaws); (one of this name B.A. 1659 Pemb. Coll. Ox.; rector of Dowsland, co. Worc. 1704-10 (Foster).

[14] Randull. Paid tax of 2s. 1½d. as priest here in 1332.

[15] Tranter. Paid tax of 5s. 9d. as priest here in 1334.

[16] Lawry. Said same.

[17] Circa 1550 this property consisted of 3l. 10s. 4d. from freehold lands and rents, 1l. 11s. 4d. from copyhold lands and 1l. 5s. 8d. from rents out of copyhold lands, whereof 2s. 3d. was paid back to the

lord of the manor of Kinver (*r*). In 1548 the income from this copyhold property is given as 58*s*. gross, and it is further stated that this manor is of ancient demesne and that the copyholders do not hold at the will of the lord, but according to the ancient custom of the manor (*b*). A freehold parcel of land worth 6*s*. 8*d*. belonging to this chantry was certified in 1549 (*e*).

[18] **Blockeley.** Paid tax of 5*s*. 4*d*. in 1533.

[19] **Poole,** Pole. Granted a pension of 53*s*. 4*d*. in 1548 (*p*), which was paid to him for many years (*q*) (cf. *T. R. Mis. Bk.* 258, p. 24). Perhaps vicar of Chebsey from 1558.

LAPLEY

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D., formerly approp. to the Abbey of Rheims and, after the suppression of the Priory here as an alien house in 1414, approp. to the College of Tong.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 corporals with 2 silk cases; 4 altar cloths; 1 cloth before the altar; 1 pair of brass censers; 1 red silk cope; 2 vestments, 1 of white satin, 1 of "dyvers colowrs"; 2 albes with other things thereto belonging; 2 towels; 3 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 1 hand bell.

In 1604 there were some recusants here.

Patrons: 1548 Robt Broke (*S. H. C.*, XII, p. 201), 1566 Rich Brett, 1574-1604 Rich Brooke (*S. H. C.*, XVII, p. 220).

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1543	John Sykes [1]
24 Nov. 1543 ff.	bur. 9 May 1566	Rich Gorste [2]
25 June 1566	res. 1576	Rich Walker [3]
19 Oct. 1576	bur. 18 Jan. 1595-6	Edw Wightwicke [4]
17 Feb. 1595-6	bur. 19 May 1638	Rich Bromfield [5]
24 May 1638	eject. 1648	Robt Hilton B.A. [6]
1648	occ. 1659	John Jackson B.A.? [7]
restored c. 1661	bur. 17 Ap. 1667	Robt Hilton B.A. [6]
8 Oct. 1667	res. 1668	Rich Cross B.D. [8]
28 July 1668		Nath Mott M.A. [9]

LIGHTS

Certified in 1548 that some unknown donors had given lands worth 8*d*. net p.a. to maintain a light before the rood in the parish church (*b*, *r*).

lord of the manor of Kinver (*a*). In 1548 the income from this copyhold property is given as 58*s.* gross, and it is further stated that this manor is of ancient demesne and that the copyholders do not hold at the will of the lord, but according to the ancient custom of the manor (*b*). A freehold parcel of land worth 6*s.* 8*d.* belonging to this chantry was certified in 1549 (*c*).

[15] Bilockeley. Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1523.

[16] Poole, Pole. Granted a pension of 53*s.* 4*d.* in 1548 (*d*), which was paid to him for many years (*e*) (cf. *V. R. Mis. Bk.* 358, p. 24). Perhaps vicar of Chelsey from 1558.

LAPLEY

In 1535 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D., formerly approp. to the Abbey of Rhuddlan and, after the suppression of the Priory here as an alien house in 1414, approp. to the College of Tong.

Ch. Dn., May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 corporals with a silk cases; 4 altar cloths; 1 cloth before the altar; 1 pair of brass censers; 1 red silk cope; 2 vestments, 1 of white satin, 1 of "dyvers colowrs"; 2 albes with other things thereto belonging; 2 towels; 3 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 1 hand bell.

In 1604 there were some recusants here.

Patrons: 1548 Robt Brooke (*S. R. C.*, xii, p. 291), 1566 Rich Brett, 1574-1604 Rich Brooke (*S. R. C.*, xvii, p. 220).

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1543	John Sykes [1]
24 Nov. 1543	fl. bur. 9 May 1566	Rich Coreste [2]
25 June 1566	res. 1576	Rich Walker [3]
19 Oct. 1576	bur. 18 Jan. 1595-6	Edw Wightwicke [4]
17 Feb. 1595-6	bur. 19 May 1618	Rich Bromfield [5]
24 May 1618	elect. 1648	Robt Hilton B.A. [6]
1648	occ. 1659	John Jackson B.A.? [7]
restored c. 1661	bur. 17 Ap. 1667	Robt Hilton B.A. [8]
8 Oct. 1667	res. 1668	Rich Cross B.D. [9]
28 July 1668		Nath Mott M.A. [10]

LIGHTS

Certified in 1548 that some unknown donors had given lands worth 6*d.* net p.a. to maintain a light before the rood in the parish church (*f*, 1).

NOTES

[1] **Sykes,** Syche or Sykis. Not Syms, as in the *Valor*, paid tax of 8*s.* in 1533.

[2] **Gorste.** Curate at Walsall 1543; instituted 12 Dec. 1543; will pr. 24 May 1566.

[3] **Walker.** *See* **Caverswall.**

[4] **Wightwicke.** Scholaris ruralis et mediocriter doctus; ordained by Thos Bentham; will pr. 24 Jan. 1595-6.

[5] **Bromfield.** Married here on 15 Aug. 1599 Alice Hatton; no preacher, a swearer and a drunkard (1604 *return*); will pr. 13 Sep. 1638. Vicarage worth 20*l.* in 1604.

[6] **Hilton.** Son of Robt Hilton of Warrington, Lancs.; B.A. 1630 Brasenose Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). Ordained both deacon and priest on 5 Mar. 1630-1; ejected for malignancy in 1648; minister of Tong, co. Salop, in Mar. 1654-5, where he kept a school; also incumbent of Sutton chapel, co. Staff. (*sic*); his wife Martha received one-fifth of the profits of this vicarage from his successor, who lodged a petition against this payment, alleging that there was no necessity for it. (*Compounding*, pp. 2117, 2118; *Walker*, p. 274.) Restored to this vicarage before Jan. 1661-2, when he paid a subsidy of 5*s.* 0*d.* therefor.

[7] **Jackson.** Came here from Madeley, q.v. Kept the register here from 9 July 1648; in Nov. 1649 the committee for plundered ministers granted him 50*l.* p.a. out of the impropriate rectory of Lapley, sequestered from Thos Peters, papist and delinquent. (*Bod. MSS.* 326, p. 297b; and 328, pp. 213, 393.) He regularly baptized children and remained here till after June 1659 (*Par. Reg.*). This augmentation was originally made by the committee to an unnamed minister here on 17 Mar. 1646-7. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. 1, p. 227.) *See* the Codsall augmentation.

[8] **Cross.** *See* **Hanbury.**

[9] **Mott.** *See* **Longdon.**

LEEK

In 1563 a vicarage, with one chapel of ease at Rushton, in Leek D., formerly approp. to Dieulacres Abbey. The ancient chapels of ease at Cheddleton, Ipstones and Onecote are named separately in the 1563 return, as having cure, but without institution, and so are treated as distinct parishes in this work.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 bells (*s*); 7 vestments, whereof 2 of velvet; 2 green silk "tunakes";

NOTES

[1] Sykes, Sycke or Sydes. Not Syms, as in the Valor, paid tax of £3, in 1533.

[2] Dorste. Curate at Walsall 1543; instituted 12 Dec. 1543; will pr. 24 May 1566.

[3] Walker. See Caverswall.

[4] Wlghtwlcke. Scholaris ruralis et mediocriter doctus; ordained by Thos Bentham; will pr. 24 Jan. 1595-6.

[5] Bromfield. Married here on 15 Aug. 1599 Alice Hatton; no preacher, a swearer and a drunkard (1604 terrier); will pr. 13 Sep. 1638. Vicarage worth 20l. in 1604.

[6] Hilton. Son of Robt. Hilton of Warrington, Lancs.; B.A. 1630 Brasenose Coll., Ox. (Foster). Ordained both deacon and priest on 5 Mar. 1630-1; elected for malignancy in 1648; minister of Toog, co. Salop, in Mar. 1654-5, where he kept a school; also incumbent of Sutton chapel, co. Stafl. (sic); his wife Martha received one-fifth of the profits of this vicarage from his successor, who lodged a petition against this payment, alleging that there was no necessity for it. (Compounding, pp. 2117, 2118; Walker, p. 274.) Restored to this vicarage before Jan. 1661-2, when he paid a subsidy of 5s. on therefor.

[7] Jackson. Came here from Madeley, q.v. Kept the register here from 9 July 1648; in Nov. 1649 the committee for plundered ministers granted him 50l. p.a. out of the impropriate rectory of Lapley, sequestered from Thos Peters, popist and delinquent. (Bod. MSS. 326, p. 2979; and 328, pp. 213, 393.) He regularly baptized children and remained here till after June 1659 (Par. Reg.). This augmentation was originally made by the committee to an unnamed minister here on 17 Mar. 1649-7. (S. P. Dom. Adv. F. 2, pt. 1, p. 227.) See the Codsall augmentation.

[8] Cross. See Hanbury.

[9] Mott. See Longdon.

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In 1563 a vicarage, with one chapel of ease at Rushton, in Leek D., formerly appropr. to Dieulacres Abbey. The ancient chapels of ease at Cheddleton, Ipstones and Onneote are named separately in the 1563 return, as having cure, but without institution, and so are treated as distinct parishes in this work.

Ch. Ord., 8 May 1533: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 bells (?); 7 vestments, whereof 2 of velvet; 2 green silk "tunakes";

3 albes; 2 stoles; 2 " phanes " (fans?); 1 altar cloth; 1 surplice; 1 hand bell; 1 brass cross. Mem. 1 sanctus bell was sold by Roger Williamson for 12*s*. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Smithe, Raffe Cocke, Thos Jolley & Wm Byrche.

In 1604 this " very great " rectory was impropriate to most of the parishioners, each of whom had bought their own tithes, which were worth 400*l*. p.a. The vicarage was worth 10*l*. p.a. and the patron, if there be one, Thos Rudiard esq.

Patrons: 1568 Sir Rich (?Ralph) Bagnall kt., 1619 Wm Hulme by consent of Thos Rudierd, 1654-1662 Thos Rudierd.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1546	Rich Gente [1]
4 May 1546 ff.	bur. 6 July 1568	Andrew Sherrard [2]
1 Sep. 1568	res. 1569	John Cartwright [3]
6 May 1569	w.pr. 19 Nov. 1619	Roger Banne [4]
18 Oct. 1619	bur. 24 Ap. 1634	Laurence Brandreth [5]
24 Ap. 1634	bur. 4 Nov. 1648	Francis Bowyer [6]
1649	occ. 1653	Robt Fowler [7]
occ. 1654		Hen Newcombe M.A.? [8]
7 June 1654		Ralph Worsley B.A.? [9]
1655	res. 1661	Thos Wynmell M.A. [10]
occ. 1661	occ. 1698	Geo Roades B.A.? [11]

Curates

(w.pr. 17 Ap. 1537	Hen Stafford)? [12]
occ. 1604	" Mr " Pott [13]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1548 that certain persons, then unknown, had given lands worth 2*l*. 1*s*. 6*d*. or 2*l*. 5*s*. 8*d*. (*r*) net p.a. for a priest to sing daily at the altar of Our Lady in the parish church and that 5 oz. of white plate & ornaments worth 10*s*. belonged to this service. The incumbent was removable at the pleasure of the wardens of the service (*b*, *c*, *r*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48	Robt Greves [14]

3 albes; 2 stoles; 2 "phanes" (tans?); 1 altar cloth; 1 surplice; 1 hand bell; 1 brass cross. Mem. 1 sanctus bell was sold by Roger Williamson for 12s. Ch. wds.: Wm Smithe, Ralfe Cocke, Thos Jolley & Wm Byrche.

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Patrons: 1568 Sir Rich (Ralph) Bagnell Kt., 1670 Wm Holme by consent of Thos Rudiard, 1694-1662 Thos Rudiard.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1546	Rich Gente[1]
4 May 1546 ñ.	bur. 6 July 1568	Andrew Sherrard[2]
1 Sep. 1568	res. 1569	John Cartwright[3]
6 May 1569	w.pr. 19 Nov. 1619	Roger Hanne[4]
18 Oct. 1619	bur. 24 Ap. 1634	Laurence Brandreth[5]
24 Ap. 1634	bur. 4 Nov. 1648	Francis Bowyer[6]
1649	occ. 1653	Robt Fowler[7]
occ. 1654		Hen Newcombe M.A.?[8]
7 June 1654		Ralph Worsley B.A.?[9]
1655	res. 1661	Thos Wynnell M.A.[10]
occ. 1661	occ. 1668	Geo Roades B.A.?[11]

CURATES

(w.pr. 17 Ap. 1532	Hen Stafford)?[12]
occ. 1604	"Mr" Pott[13]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1548 that certain persons, then unknown, had given lands worth 2l. 1s. 6d. or 2l. 5s. 8d. (?) net p.a. for a priest to sing daily at the altar of Our Lady in the parish church and that 5 oz. of white plate & ornaments worth 10s. belonged to this service. The incumbent was removable at the pleasure of the wardens of the service (δ, c, r).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48	Robt Greves[14]

MEERBROOK CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 return. A chapel of Leek in 1553 and 1604. Rebuilt and endowed by Sir Ralph Bagnall in 1564.[15]

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 green saie vestment. **Chapel wd.:** Rich Brugh.

Other returns of about this date add 1 bell, 1 suit of ornaments (*n*) and state that part of the chapel is covered with lead (*h*).

CURATES

occ. 1604	Wm Smallwood[16]
occ. 1620	Francis Alsopp
in 1647	no minister[17]
to 1677	Rich Whitehall[18]

RUSHTON CHAPEL

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 saie vestment; 1 corporal; 1 bell; 1 sanctus bell. Mem. Mathew Bothe, Thos Sutton & Pears Goodfeloo sold 1 bell & 1 chalice about 4 years ago for 26*s.* 8*d.* to make Hug Bridge, as is said. The chapel was void in this year.

CURATES[19]

occ. 1533	bur. 5 Ap. 1588	Robt Sutton[20]
occ. 1589		James Wagg[21]
occ. 1593-7	w.p. 1 Mar. 1598-9	Wm Reade[22]
occ. 1602-5		James Knight[23]
occ. 1620		John Orme[24]
occ. 1623-24		John Freckleton
occ. 1639		Thos Adams B.A.?[25]
occ. 1661		Geo Rhodes[26]
occ. 1664		John Kellsall[27]
occ. 1675-1717		Thos Meaykin

A PREACHER HERE

occ. 1660-62	John Moxon

NOTES

[1] **Gente.** Paid tax of 16*s.* in 1533.

[2] **Sherrard,** Sherrett. Instituted 12 May 1546, will pr. 26 Nov. 1568. The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 could not be collected when due (19-506).

MEERBROOK CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 return. A chapel of Leek in 1553, and 1604. Rebuilt and endowed by Sir Ralph Bagnall in 1564.[1]

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 green sale vestment. Chapel wd.: Rich Bangh.

Other returns of about this date add 1 bell, 1 suit of ornaments (n) and state that part of the chapel is covered with lead (h).

CURATES

occ. 1604	Wm Smallwood[2]
occ. 1620	Francis Alsopp
in 1647	no minister[2]
to 1677	Rich Whitehall[2]

RUSHTON CHAPEL

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 sale vestment; 1 corporal; 1 bell; 1 sanctus bell. Mem. Mathew Bothe, Thos Sutton & Peers Goodfellow sold 1 bell & 1 chalice about 4 years ago for 26s. 8d. to make Hug Bridge, as is said. The chapel was void in this year.

CURATES[1]

occ. 1533	bur. 5 Ap. 1558	Robt Sutton[2]
occ. 1589		James Wagg[2]
occ. 1593-7	w.p. 1 Mar. 1598-9	Wm Reade[2]
occ. 1602-5		James Knight[2]
occ. 1620		John Orme[2]
occ. 1623-24		John Freckleton
occ. 1639		Thos Adams B.A.?[2]
occ. 1661		Geo Rhodes[2]
occ. 1664		John Kellsall[2]
occ. 1675-1717		Thos Meayldin

A PREACHER HERE

occ. 1660-62	John Moxon

NOTES

[1] Gents. Paid tax of 10s. in 1533.

[2] Sherrard, Sherratt. Instituted 12 May 1546, will per 26 Nov. 1565. The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 could not be collected when due (19-506).

[3] **Cartwright.** Curate of Stoke-on-Trent, q.v., before and after his short vicariate here.

[4] **Banne.** Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris bene exercitatus, gregem suum laudabiliter instructus. No preacher, no degree (1602-4 *returns*). Ordained by Thos Eliensis? Vicarage worth 10*l.* in 1604.

[5] **Brandreth.** No degree, will pr. 1 Aug. 1635.

[6] **Bowyer.** Son of Geo Bowyer of Madeley, matriculated 1624 Exeter Coll. Ox., aged 18 (*Foster*), ordained deacon as student 21 Dec. 1628, priest 27 Sep. 1629; subscribed National Covenant 28 Nov. 1645 (*Langford's Staffs. and Warw.*, p. 441); signed testimony 1648.

[7] **Fowler.** Mentioned on Sleigh's authority.

[8] **Newcombe.** Mentioned in parish register. Probably born c. 1628, M.A. 1651 S. John's Coll. Camb., son of Stephen Newcombe, rector of Caldecote, Hunts.; died 1695 (*Mayor, Venn*).

[9] **Worsley.** Probably B.A. 1652 Pemb. Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). Presented by Thos Rudierd (Rudyard), approved by commissioners 7 June 1654 (*Lamb. MS.* 997, pt. i, p. 161).

[10] **Wynmell,** Whynnell. Perhaps B.A. 1626 Brasenose Coll. Ox., son of Thos Whinnell of Askerswell, Dorset, minister, rector of Cranham, Glouc., before he came here (*Foster*). Author of *Covenanter's plea for Infant Baptism*, etc. (*Sleigh's Leek, Wood's Athen. Oxon.*). Perhaps curate of Wolverhampton in 1661.

[11] **Roades.** Curate at Rushton chapel in 1661 (*Sleigh*); paid subsidy as vicar here of 10*s.* 25 Jan. 1661-2; instituted 12 Aug. 1662; presented by Thos Rudyard (*Dioc. Reg.*).

[12] **Stafford.** Described in his will as a priest here.

[13] **Pott.** A preacher (1604 *return*).

[14] **Greves,** Greve. Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533, his salary was 2*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.* (*c*), received pension of 2*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.* in 1548 (*p*).

[15] *Hutchinson.*

[16] **Smallwood.** No preacher, no degree, a common drunkard, making of unlawful marriages to the great hurt of the county, tainted with other vile sins, hath been complained of both to the Doctor and Chancellor and yet is here still; salary:—what the people will give him (1604 *return*), 4*l.* and his "dyott," i.e. diet or food (1602 *return*).

[17] On 13 Jan. 1646-7 the committee for plundered ministers granted 25*l.* p.a. out of the prebend of Walsall?, Stafford, sequestered from Sir John Persall, delinquent, the farmer thereof, to maintain a minister here. On 10 Dec. 1647 this committee found that this sequestration had been discharged, so it ordered that the 25*l.* was to be paid out of two-thirds of the impropriate rectory of Stowe,

[2] **Cartwright.** Curate of Stoke-on-Trent, q.v., before and after his short vicarate here.

[3] **Banne.** Scholaris mutilis, in sacris litteris bene exercitatus, gregem suum laudabiliter instructus. No preacher, no degree (1662-4 returns). Ordained by Thos Rileneis? Vicarage worth 10l. in 1664.

[4] **Brandreth.** No degree, will pr. 1 Aug. 1675.

[5] **Bowyer.** Son of Geo Bowyer of Madeley, matriculated 1624 Exeter Coll. Ox., aged 18 (Foster), ordained deacon as student 21 Dec. 1628, priest 27 Sep. 1629; subscribed National Covenant 28 Nov. 1648 (Langford's Salop, and Wars., p. 444); signed testimony 1648.

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[8] **Worsley.** Probably B.A. 1652 Pemb. Coll. Ox. (Foster). Presented by Thos Rudiard (Rudyard), approved by commissioners 7 June 1654 (Lamb. MS. 907, pt. I. p. 101).

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[10] **Roades.** Curate at Rushton chapel in 1661 (Sleigh); paid subsidy as vicar here of 10s. 8d. Jan. 1661-2; instituted 12 Aug. 1663; presented by Thos Rudyard (Ordo. Reg.).

[11] **Stafford.** Described in his will as a priest here.

[12] **Pott.** A preacher (1664 return).

[13] **Greves.** Greve. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1673, his salary was 2l. 1s. 0d. (c), received pension of 2l. 1s. 0d. in 1648 (b).

[14] **Hutchinson.**

[15] **Smallwood.** No preacher, no degree, a common drunkard, making of unlawful marriages to the great hurt of the county, tainted with other vile sins, hath been complained of both to the Doctor and Chancellor and yet is here still; salary:—what the people will give him (1664 return), 4l. and his "dyott," i.e. diet or food (1662 return).

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sequestered from Mrs Fowler, recusant, when a minister here should be approved. (*Bod. MS.* 325, p. 218.)

[18] **Whitehall.** Given on Hutchinson's authority.

[19] **Curates.** Nearly all these names and dates are given on Sleigh's authority.

[20] **Sutton.** Either this curate or the vicar of Wednesbury subscribed in 1559.

[21] **Wagg.** Rector (*sic* reader?).

[22] **Reade.** Scholaris ruralis et indoctus, ordained priest by Wm, bp of Chester, called lector by Sleigh, perhaps came here from Caverswall, q.v. Rich Mitchell of Horton served this cure from Oct. 1598 to Mar. 1598-9.

[23] **Knight.** No preacher, layman, salary:—what the people will give him (1604 *return*).

[24] **Orme.** Perhaps B.A. 1608 Linc. Coll. Ox., son of a Lincolnshire clergyman (*Foster*).

[25] **Adams.** *See* **Trentham.**

[26] **Rhodes.** *See note* 11.

[27] **Kellsall.** Mentioned by Hutchinson, not by Sleigh.

LEIGH

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 4 old vestments; 2 albes; 2 amices; 2 pewter cruets; 2 brass crosses; 2 copes, 1 of grey silk, 1 of old black velvet; 6 altar cloths; 2 brass candlesticks; 4 great bells (*s*); 2 sacring bells; 1 hand bell; 2 glass paxes; 2 corporals with velvet cases. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Berkeham, Hen Smith & Thos Clarke.

In 1604 there were many recusants here.

Patrons: 1297, 1369, 1491 (*S. H. C.*, 1911, p. 55; x, n.s., p. 126; xi, p. 252), 1569 Hen. Vernon, 1580 . . . . from Sir Walter Aston kt, 1604 his heirs, 1646 parliament *vice* Sir Hervey Bagott, delinquent.

RECTORS

	ob. 1526	Hen Bullokke
9 Oct. 1526	w.p. 16 Feb. 1549-50	Francis Kynnersley[1]
25 July 1550	w.p. 3 Nov. 1568	Wm Caterbanke[2]
16 Ap. 1569	depr. 1580	Rich Willson
27 Jan. 1580-1		Jervase Carrington B.C.L.?[3]

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[23] Knight. No preacher, layman, salary—what the people will give him (1604 survey).

[24] Orme. Perhaps B.A. 1603 Linc. Coll. Ox., son of a Lincolnshire clergyman (Foster).

[25] Adams. See Trentham.

[26] Rhodes. See note 11.

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RECTORS

	ob. 1540	Hen Bullokke
9 Oct. 1526	w.p. 16 Feb. 1549-50	Francis Kynnersley[1]
25 July 1550	w.p. 3 Nov. 1568	Wm Caterbanke[2]
16 Ap. 1569	depr. 1580	Rich Willson
27 Jan. 1580-1		Jervase Carrington
		B.C.L.[3]

18 Mar. 1580-1	w.p. 18 Aug. 1601	Rich Aston [4]
28 Aug. 1601	ob. July 1639	John Palmer M.A. [5]
14 Aug. 1639	res. 1646	Rich Chapman B.A.? [6]
18 Dec. 1646	occ. 1666	Deliverance Fennyhouse M.A. [7]
18 July 1672 ff		Samuel Sanders

CURATES

(c. 1533	ob. 1565	Thos Drakeford)? [8]
occ. 1620		Francis Swynsheade [9]

THE PRIEST'S SERVICE

Certified in 1548 that Hugh Chaw? had given a yearly rent of 20*s*. and that some unknown donors had given a stock of cattle & money to the parishioners here to be employed at their discretion, who had employed the same within 5 years before the 4 Nov. 1547, sometimes in finding a priest, sometimes in other uses in the church (*b*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1548	Wm Norman [10]

LAMP

Certified in 1548 that a croft worth 5*s*. net p.a. had been given by an unknown donor for a lamp & other uses (*b*). The Rental mentions an endowment of 1*l*. 12*s*. 8*d*. for lamps, but probably that of the above-named service is included in this sum.

FIELD CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563 or subsequently. Certified in 1548 that there was 1 little bell in the end of this chapel—also mentioned in the inventory of May 1553—that no service was then kept here and that no lands or tenements belong to it (*b*). Certified in 1549 that a priest, called Our Lady's priest, had been maintained to sing (mass) here, for whom some unknown donor had given 1 messuage, 1 croft, and land here, let to Rauf Pedley, Wm Smyth and Robt Thacker for 6*s*. 8*d*. net p.a. In addition to the bell, there was the chapel yard worth 8*d*., ornaments worth 10*d*., but no plate (*e*).

18 Mar. 1580-1	w.p. 18 Aug. 1601	Rich Aston *
28 Aug. 1601	ob. July 1639	John Palmer M.A. *
14 Aug. 1639	res. 1646	Rich Chapman B.A.? *
18 Dec. 1646	occ. 1666	Deliverance Fenny-hough M.A.?
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CURATES

fo. 1533	ob. 1595	Thos Dakeford(?) *
occ. 1600		Francis Swynnerde *

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occ. 1548	Wm Norman *

LAMP

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FULL CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1595 or subsequently. Certified in 1548 that there was 1 little bell in the end of this chapel—also mentioned in the inventory of May 1553—that no service was then kept here and that no lands or tenements belong to it (b). Certified in 1549 that a priest, called Our Lady's priest, had been maintained to sing (mass) here, for whom some unknown donor had given a messuage, 1 croft, and land here, let to Ralf Fedley, Wm Smyth and Robt Thacker for 6s. 8d. net p.a. In addition to the bell, there was the chapel valued worth 8d., ornaments worth 10d., but no plate (c).

OUR LADY'S PRIEST

(occ. 1533 Thos Drakeford)? [8]

NOTES

[1] **Kynnersley.** Also rector of Blithfield, q.v.

[2] **Caterbanke.** Katerbank. Subscribed in 1559; probably chantry priest at Lichfield 1535-44, at Longdon 1544-5. The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 was not paid when due (19-506).

[3] **Carrington.** Presented by the Crown (*Lans. MS.* 443, p. 5). *See* **Weston-on-Trent.**

[4] **Aston.** Scholaris cantabrigiensis et praedicator publicus, licensed by Wm Overton. Probably matriculated 1573 Queens' Coll. Camb., as commoner (*Venn*). Preb. of Freeford 1576-1601, perhaps rector of Enville 1594-6, probably identical with Rich Craddock alias Ashton, presented by Crown with rectory of Weston-on-Trent 5 Mar. 1590-1. Instituted as rector here 18 Mar. 1580-1 (*Dioc. Reg.*); paid first fruits 22 July 1581; instituted by Wm Overton as rector here 13 Aug. 1583 (1593 *return*); presented to this rectory by Crown 21 Feb. 1584-5 (*Lans. MS.* 443, p. 9); ordained priest by Thos Bentham. All the above dates are quite clear, though very puzzling.

[5] **Palmer.** *See* Stafford S. Mary's. Rectory worth 100*l.* in 1604.

Alex Brickenden, M.A., was presented to this rectory on 21 June 1602 by the Crown, on the death of Aston, the right of presentation being claimed by the Crown on account of the minority of Christopher Morgan, ar. (*Lans. MS.* 443, p. 12). Clearly this presentation was withdrawn or cancelled.

[6] **Chapman.** Probably B.A. 1625-6 Queens' Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). On 18 Dec. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers found that he had "relinquished" this rectory and was settled in the cure of Thornton, co. Ches. (*Bod. MS.* 324, p. 182). Perhaps this is another instance of a pluralist being compelled to resign all his livings but one.

[7] **Fennyhouse,** Fenhouse, Fennehowse, Phynnyhouse. Son of Rich Fennyhouse, minister of Bourby (Barby?), Northants; matriculated 1622 Exeter Coll. Ox., aged 18 (*Foster*); M.A. 1634 Queens' Coll. Camb. (*Venn*); ordained deacon 19 Sep. 1629; priest 20 Feb. 1629-30; curate at Stone c. 1642-6; signed testimony 1648; certified the fitness of many candidates for the ministry 1658-9 (*Lamb. MS.* 999); paid subsidy of 1*l.* in Jan. 1661-2; paid tax on 6 hearths here c.1665. Presented to this rectory as a godly and orthodox divine by committee for plundered ministers (*see note* 6) as the advowson belonged to Sir Hervey Bagot, delinquent.

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(occ. 1533 Thos Drakeford)[7]*

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of this parish in his will, pr. 7 May 1565 and witnessed by Caterbanke, the rector.

[9] **Swynsheade.** *See* **Haughton.**

[10] **Norman.** *See* **Blithfield.** His salary as incumbent of this service had been 1*l.* (*d*), which amount was granted to him as a pension 22 June 1548 (*p*).

LICHFIELD

In 1563 the city of Lichfield was subject to the peculiar jurisdiction of the dean and was exempt from that of the bishop. It was then described as "The city of Lichfield, consisting of members of many prebends, hath in it 3 parochial churches or chapels with cure, that is to say, the churches of Our Lady, of S. Michael and of Stowe, which 3 serve the whole city and have in them 1 vicar and 3 curates, whose living is of certain pensions or stipends, granted by composition from the prebendaries of the cathedral church and having no certain limits, bounds, wards or number of householders appointed to any of them particularly, do serve the whole city confusedly, in which city there be households C.C.C.C. (i.e. 400)."[1]

In 1604 the non-resident vicar here received 30*l.* p.a. from the dean and chapter and paid 3*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* to each of his 3 curates. At this time there were not any ordinary preachers in the whole city, though there were 6,000 people, many of whom were "popish."[2]

In April 1648 parliament ordered that 2 able and godly ministers were to be maintained here with a salary of 150*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* each, which was to be paid from the revenues of the sequestrated cathedral estates.[3] After 1656 one of them served S. Chad's at a reduced salary.

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of this parish in his will, pr. 7 May 1565 and witnessed by Catherine, the rector.

[8] Swynshede. See Haughton.

[10] Norman. See Billinfield. His salary as incumbent of this service had been 12l. (d), which amount was granted to him as a pension 22 June 1548 (p).

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livings outside the county, where they usually resided. In all cases where any of these offices were held by a Staffordshire incumbent the fact is mentioned in the notes. *See* Index.

THE CHANTRIES IN LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL

The following is a list of the chantries in the cathedral as certified in 1546-8, with the title of the altar at which the mass was said, the name of the founder of the chantry with dates added by the compiler within brackets, the yearly value of the endowment, the salaries paid to the priest in 1546 (*a*) and in 1548 (*c*), the pensions granted to the incumbent in 1548 (*p*), and if they were still being paid in 1555 (*Harwood*, p. 14) or in the reign of Elizabeth (*q*), also the value of the plate and ornaments.

The admissions and resignations of the incumbents are taken from the Chapter Act books, unless otherwise specified.

The common house of the chantry priests was founded by John Catterick, bishop of Cov. and Lich. (1415-19), "to the intent that these priests being destitute of mansions should have one common place to resort unto, which is called the Chantry Priests House." It was endowed with lands etc. of the yearly value of 17*l.* 1*s.* 11*d.* (*a*), or 13*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.* gross (*b*), 12*l.* 8*s.* 1½*d.* net (*b*), or 12*l.* 17*s.* 5½*d.* net inclusive of an extinct annuity of 53*s.* 4*d.* paid by the dissolved monastery of Darley, co. Derby (*r*), and the common house with garden let at an annual rental of 10*s.* (*a*). Out of this property 10*l.* 1*s.* 9½*d.* was paid as (an additional?) salary to these 16 priests (*a*) and 12*s.* 10*d.* paid to the poor (*b*). There were no plate or ornaments belonging to this house (*a*, *b*), but there were some utensils valued at 16*s.* 3*d.* (*b*).

S. ANDREW

Founded by Thos Stretton, dean, as executor of Rich Bermyncham (preb. of Gaia minor 1369-94, archd. of Cov.).

Endowment 5*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.* (*a*, *b*, *c*), 5*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.* (*r*); priest's chamber 12*d.* (*a*); salary 5*l.* 0*s.* 3*d.* (*a*), 5*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.* (*c*); pension 5*l.* (*p*, 1555); partly gilt plate 10 oz. (*a*), 9 oz. (*b*), ornaments 17*d.* (*b*).

INCUMBENTS

12 Dec. 1524	res. 1530	Wm Bothom
7 Ap. 1530	occ. 1541	Wm Egerton
2 Nov. 1541	occ. 1548	Edw Fletcher[4]

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THE CHANTRIES IN LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL

The following is a list of the chantries in the cathedral as certified in 1546-8, with the title of the altar at which the mass was said, the name of the founder of the chantry with dates added by the compiler within brackets, the yearly value of the endowment, the salaries paid to the priest in 1546 (a) and in 1548 (c), the pensions granted to the incumbent in 1548 (b), and if they were still being paid in 1555 (Harwood, p. 14) or in the reign of Elizabeth (d) also the value of the plate and ornaments.

The admissions and resignations of the incumbents are taken from the Chapter Act books, unless otherwise specified.

The common house of the chantry priests was founded by John Catterick, bishop of Coventry and Lich. (1415-19), "to the intent that these priests being destitute of mansions should have one common place to resort unto, which is called the Chantry Priests House." It was endowed with lands etc. of the yearly value of 17l. 1s. 11d. (a), or 13l. 3s. 2d. gross (b), 12l. 8s. 1½d. net (b), or 12l. 17s. 5½d. net inclusive of an extinct annuity of 3s. 4d. paid by the dissolved monastery of Darley, co. Derby (c), and the common house with garden let at an annual rental of 10s. (a). Out of this property 10l. 1s. 9½d. was paid as (an additional) salary to these 16 priests (a) and 12s. 10d. paid to the poor (b). There were no plate or ornaments belonging to this house (a, b), but there were some utensils valued at 10s. 3d. (b).

S. ANDREW

Founded by Thos Stretton, dean, as executor of Rich Bermynham (preb. of Gaia minor 1396-9, archd. of Cov.).

Endowment 5l. 11s. 2d. (a, b, c), 5l. 6s. 2d. (y); priest's chamber 12d. (a); salary 5l. 0s. 3d. (a), 5l. 0s. 4d. (c); pension 5l. (y, 1555); partly gilt plate 10 oz. (a), 9 oz. (b), ornaments 17½d. (b).

INCUMBENTS

12 Dec. 1524	res. 1530	Wm Bottom
7 Ap. 1530	occ. 1541	Wm Egerton
2 Nov. 1541	occ. 1548	Edw Fletcher*

S. ANDREW

Founded by executors of Thos Hardwick (preb. of Bobenhall 1394-1411).

Endowment 5*l.* 7*s.* 8*d* (*a*), 5*l.* 7*s.* 0½*d.* (*b, c*), 4*l.* 13*s.* 2*d.* and an unstated part of 2*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.*, which belonged to this chantry and those of S. Blasius and S. Peter (*r*); priest's chamber 16*d.*; salary 4*l.* 16*s.* 5½*d.* (*a*), 4*l.* 16*s.* 10*d.* (*c*); pension 4*l.* 16*s.* 10*d.* (*p*, 1555); partly gilt plate 10½ oz. (*a*), 10 oz. (*b*), ornaments 2*s.* 6*d.* (*b*)

INCUMBENTS

	ob. 1525	John Fynymore
18 July 1525	ob. 1536	John Townsend
8 Ap. 1536 ff.	occ. 1548	Thos Beale

S. ANDREW

Founded by Ralph Sempringham (dean 1254-80).

Endowment 6*l.* 11*s.* 11½*d.* (*a*), 6*l.* 1*s.* 3¾*d.* (*b, c*), 6*l.* 5*s.* 3¼*d.* (*r*); priest's chamber 20*d.* (*a*); salary 5*l.* 12*s.* 0*d.* (*a*), 5*l.* 10*s.* 7¾*d.* (*c*); pension 5*l.* (*p*); gilt plate 12½ oz. (*a*), partly gilt plate 12 oz. (*b*), ornaments 3*s.* 9*d* (*b*).

INCUMBENTS

	ob. 1527	John Yotton
6 July 1527		John Aston[5]
occ. 1533	res. 4 May 1538	Wm Horton
18 May 1538	occ. 1548	Rich Osylcoke

S. BLASIUS

Founded by Thos Heywood, dean (1457-93).

Endowment 6*l.* 16*s.* 11*d.* gross (*a, b*), 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* net, but 6*l.* of this was an annuity payable by the Abbey of Halesowen and not paid since the dissolution of that abbey (*b, c*), annuity of 6*l.* not paid and part of 2*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.* (*see S. Andrew's chantry*) (*r*); priest's chamber 20*d.*; salary 4*l.* 18*s.* 9½*d.* (*a*), 1*s.* 9½*d.* and annuity not paid (*c*); pension 1*s.* 9*d.* (*p*), 6*l.* (*q*); gilt plate 18 oz. (*a, b*); ornaments 3*s.* 7*d.* (*b*).

INCUMBENTS

	res. c. Feb. 1527-8	Hen Wylshawe[6]
19 Feb. 1527-8	res. 1534	Rich Cantrell
June 1534	occ. 1548	Thos Banys

S. ANDREW

Founded by executors of Thos Hardwick (preb. of Bobenhall 1394-1411).

Endowment 5l. 7s. 8d (a), 5l. 7s. 0½d. (b, c), 4l. 13s. 2d. and an unstated part of 2l. 9s. 0d., which belonged to this chantry and those of S. Blasius and S. Peter (a); priest's chamber 10d.; salary 4l. 16s. 5½d. (a), 4l. 16s. 10d. (c); pension 4l. 16s. 10d. (b, 1555); partly gilt plate 10½ oz. (a), 10 oz. (b), ornaments 2s. 6d. (b)

INCUMBENTS

	ob. 1525	John Fynymore
18 July 1525	ob. 1536	John Townsend
8 Apr. 1536 R.	occ. 1548	Thos Doole

S. ANDREW

Founded by Ralph Sempringham (dean 1254-80).

Endowment 6l. 1s. 11½d. (a), 6l. 1s. 3½d. (b, c), 6l. 5s. 3½d. (c); priest's chamber 20d. (a); salary 5l. 12s. 6d. (a), 5l. 10s. 7½d. (c); pension 5l. (b); gilt plate 12½ oz. (a), partly gilt plate 12 oz. (b), ornaments 3s. 9d. (b).

INCUMBENTS

	ob. 1527	John Yotten
6 July 1527		John Aston[a]
occ. 1533	res. 4 May 1538	Wm Horton
18 May 1538	occ. 1548	Rich Ogylcole

S. BLASIUS

Founded by Thos Heywood, dean (1457-93).

Endowment 6l. 10s. 11½d. gross (a, b), 6l. 13s. 4d. net, but 6l. of this was an annuity payable by the Abbey of Halesowen and not paid since the dissolution of that abbey (b, c), annuity of 6l. not paid and part of 2l. 9s. 0d. (see S. Andrew's chantry) (c); priest's chamber 20d.; salary 4l. 13s. 0½d. (a), 10½d. and annuity not paid (c); pension 1s. 0d. (b), 6d. (c); gilt plate 18 oz. (a, b); ornaments 3s. 7d. (b).

INCUMBENTS

	res. c. Feb. 1527-8	Hen Wylshawe[a]
19 Feb. 1527-8	res. 1534	Rich Cantrell
June 1534	occ. 1548	Thos Banys

S. CATHERINE

Founded by John Hardwick, vicar choral.

Endowment 9*l.* 9*s.* 1*d.* gross (*a*), 9*l.* 11*s.* 7*d.* gross (*b*), 8*l.* 8*s.* 7*d.* net (*b, c*), 8*l.* 5*s.* 7*d.* (*r*); priest's chamber 12*d.* (*a*); salary 7*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.* (*a*), 7*l.* 13*s.* 8*d.* (*c*); pension 6*l.* (*p*, 1555); partly gilt plate 10½ oz. (*a*), 12 oz. (*b*); ornaments 1*s.* 10*d.* (*b*).

INCUMBENTS

	ob. c. 1531	Philip Shinguler
9 Mar. 1531-2	occ. 1548	John Sandland[7]

S. CHAD

Founded by bishop Alexander de Stavenby (1224-38), for one priest to sing mass at 5 a.m. daily.

Endowment 6*l.* 15*s.* 3½*d.* gross (*a, b*), 6*l.* 14*s.* 0½*d.* net (*b, c*), 3*l.* 7*s.* 4½*d.* (*r*); priest's chamber 20*d.* (*a*); salary 6*l.* 2*s.* 6½*d.* (*a*), 6*l.* 1*s.* 5*d.* (*c*); pension 5*l.* (*p*); no plate or jewels, but some other goods (*a*), partly gilt plate 9 oz., ornaments 14*d.* (*b*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	ob. 1540	Roger Coke
15 May 1540	occ. 1548	Robt Sande

S. GEORGE

Founded by George Radclyffe (archd. of Chester, ob. c. 1453).

Endowment 5*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* gross (*a*), 5*l.* 4*s.* 6½*d.* gross (*b*), 4*l.* 16*s.* 4¾*d.* net (*b, c*), 4*l.* 16*s.* 0¾*d.* (*r*); priest's salary 4*l.* 9*s.* 4¾*d.* (*a*), 4*l.* 8*s.* 4½*d.* (*c*); pension 4*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* (*p*, 1555); partly gilt plate 18 oz. (*a*), 17 oz. (*b*), ornaments 3*s.* 8*d.*

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48	Rich Tatton[8]

THE NAME OF JESUS OR HOLY CROSS

Founded by bishop Rich Scrope (bp 1386-96).

Endowment 5*l.* net (*a, b, c, r*); priest's chamber 20*d.*; salary 4*l.* 9*s.* 3*d.* (*a, c*); pension 4*l.* 9*s.* 3*d.* (*p*, 1555); a partly gilt chalice with a paten and piece of lead in the bottom weighing 5½ oz. (*a*), no plate or goods (*b*).

S. CATHERINE

Founded by John Hardwick, vicar choral.

Endowment 9l. 9s. 1d. gross (a), 9l. 11s. 7d. gross (b), 8l. 8s. 7d. net (b, c), 8l. 5s. 7d. (v); priest's chamber 12d. (a); salary 7l. 14s. 2d. (a), 7l. 13s. 8d. (c); pension 6l. (p. 1555); partly gilt plate 10½ oz. (a), 12 oz. (b); ornaments 1s. 10d. (b).

INCUMBENTS

	ob. c. 1531	Philip Shingler
9 Mar. 1531-2	occ. 1548	John Sandland[1]

S. CHAD

Founded by bishop Alexander de Stavenby (1224-38), for one priest to sing mass at 5 a.m. daily.

Endowment 6l. 15s. 3½d. gross (a, b), 6l. 14s. 9½d. net (b, c), 3l. 7s. 4½d. (v); priest's chamber 20d. (a); salary 6l. 2s. 6½d. (a), 6l. 1s. 5d. (c); pension 5l. (p); no plate or jewels, but some other goods (a), partly gilt plate 9 oz., ornaments 14d. (b).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	ob. 1540	Roger Cole
15 May 1540	occ. 1548	Robt Sande

S. GEORGE

Founded by George Radclyffe (archd. of Chester, ob. c. 1453).

Endowment 5l. 5s. 6d. gross (a), 5l. 4s. 6½d. gross (b), 4l. 10s. 4½d. net (b, c), 4l. 10s. 0½d. (v); priest's salary 4l. 0s. 4½d. (a), 4l. 8s. 4½d. (c); pension 4l. 8s. 4d. (A. 1555); partly gilt plate 18 oz. (a), 17 oz. (b), ornaments 3s. 8d.

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48	Rich Tatton[2]

THE NAME OF JESUS OR HOLY CROSS

Founded by bishop Rich Scrope (bp 1386-99).

Endowment 5l. net (a, b, c, v); priest's chamber 20d.; salary 4l. 0s. 3d. (a, c); pension 4l. 0s. 3d. (A. 1555); a partly gilt chalice with a paten and piece of lead in the bottom weighing 5½ oz. (a), no plate or goods (b).

INCUMBENTS

	res. 1534	John Aston[5]
15 July 1534	res. 1541	John Shalcrosse
Oct. 1541	occ. 1548	Rich Hervy[9]

THE NAME OF JESUS OR S. SAVIOUR

Founded by Thos Heywood (dean 1457-93).

Endowment 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (*a*), nil, formerly had an annuity from the Abbey at Lilleshall of this amount (*b, c, r*); priest's chamber 20*d.* (*a*); salary 4*l.* 9*s.* 0*d.* (*a*); nil (*c*); pension nil (*p*); gilt plate 17½ oz., white plate ½ oz. (*a*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5	Thos Longworth
in 1548	no incumbent (*c*)

S. MARY

Founded by bishop Walter de Langton (bp 1296-1321).

Endowment 7*l.* 4*s.* 9*d.* (*a*), 7*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.* net (*b, r*), 7*l.* 5*s.* 11*d.* (*c*); priest's chamber 20*d.* (*a*); salary 6*l.* 11*s.* 9¾*d.* (*a*), 6*l.* 14*s.* 5¾*d.* (*c*); pension 6*l.* (*p*, 1555); gilt plate 11½ oz. (*a*), 11 oz. (*b*), ornaments 26*s.* 3*d.* (*b*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48	Roger Crockington[10]

S. MARY

Founded by Peter de Radnor (chancellor ob. 1276) (*a, c, r*); by the dean and chapter of Lichfield (*b*) to sing mass at Our Lady's altar (*a, b*). Harwood says this chantry was dedicated to S. Ann (*Harwood*, p. 197). It is sometimes called "S. Peter's" or "S. Peter Radnor's."

Endowment 5*l.* 5*s.* 3*d.* (*a*), 5*l.* 4*s.* 1*d.* net (*b, c, r*); priest's chamber 20*d.* (*a*); salary 4*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.* (*a*), 4*l.* 2*s.* 5*d.* (*c*); pension 4*l.* 2*s.* 5*d.* (*p*); gilt plate 14 oz., partly gilt plate 9 oz. (*a*), partly gilt plate 20 oz., ornaments 18*d.* (*b*).

INCUMBENTS

	res. 28 Ap. 1528	Wm Lees
30 May 1528	occ. 1548	Peter Mervyn?[11]

INCUMBENTS

	res. 1534	John Aston[1]
15 July 1534	res. 1541	John Shelforme
Oct. 1541	occ. 1548	Rich Hervy[2]

THE NAME OF JESUS OR S. SAVIOUR

Founded by Thos Heywood (dean 1457-93).

Endowment 6l. 12s. 4d. (a), nil, formerly had an annuity from the Abbey at Lilleshall of this amount (b, c, r); priest's chamber 20d. (a); salary 4l. 0s. 0d. (a); nil (c); pension nil (b); gilt plate 17½ oz., white plate ½ oz. (a).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5	Thos Longworth
in 1548	no incumbent (c)

S. MARY

Founded by bishop Walter de Langton (bp 1296-1321).

Endowment 7l. 4s. 9d. (a), 9l. 5s. 2d. net (b, r), 9l. 5s. 11d. (c); priest's chamber 20d. (a); salary 6l. 11s. 0½d. (a), 6l. 14s. 5½d. (c); pension 6l. (p. 1535); gilt plate 11½ oz. (a), 11 oz. (b), ornaments 26s. 3d. (b).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48	Roger Crockington[1]

S. MARY

Founded by Peter de Radnor (chancellor ob. 1270) (a, c, r); by the dean and chapter of Lichfield (b) to sing masses at Our Lady's altar (a, b). Harwood says this chantry was dedicated to S. Ann (Harwood, p. 107). It is sometimes called "S. Peter's" or "S. Peter Radnor's."

Endowment 5l. 5s. 3d. (a), 5l. 4s. 1d. net (b, c, r); priest's chamber 20d. (a); salary 4l. 10s. 4d. (a), 4l. 2s. 5d. (c); pension 4l. 2s. 5d. (b); gilt plate 14 oz., partly gilt plate 9 oz. (a), partly gilt plate 20 oz., ornaments 18d. (b).

INCUMBENTS

	res. 28 Ap. 1528	Wm Lake
30 May 1529	occ. 1548	Peter Mervyn[2]

S. NICHOLAS

Founded by bishop Walter de Langton (bp 1296-1321); commonly called "The King's" or "Langton's." In 1372 the diocesan register states that this chantry had been founded by the church of Condover (Salop) for the souls of Henry and Edward, sometime kings of England, and of the bishops of the place. (*S. H. C.*, x, n.s. pt. ii, p. 47.)

Endowment 5*l.* 1*s.* 2*d.* (*a*), 4*l.* 16*s.* 10*d.* net, whereof 3*d.* to the poor (*b*), 4*l.* 19*s.* 5*d.* net, whereof to the poor 3*d.* (*c*); 19*s.* 10*d.* net (*r*); priest's chamber 12*d.* (*a*); salary 4*l.* 6*s.* 6½*d.* (*a*), 4*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.* (*c*); pension 4*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.* (*p* 1555); "plate and ornaments appear in inventory annexed to certificate of chantry of Nicholas de Lega" (*a*); no plate or goods (*b*).

INCUMBENTS

	res. 1524	John Bradford
25 Jan. 1524-5	occ. 1535	Robt Clerke
11 Nov. 1547	occ. 1548	John Hare

S. NICHOLAS

Founded by Nicholas de Lega (a canon of Lichfield c. 1265).

Endowment 9*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.* (*a*), 9*l.* 12*s.* 10*d.* gross (*b*), 9*l.* 1*s.* 9*d.* net (*b, c, r*); priest's chamber 12*d.* (*a*); salary 8*l.* 8*s.* 6½*d.* (*a*), 8*l.* 7*s.* 6½*d.* (*c*); pension 6*l.* (*p*); partly gilt plate 11½ oz. (*a*), 11 oz., ornaments 3*s.* 2*d.* (*b*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	ob. 17 Sep. 1539	Thos Maderer
28 Sep. 1539	occ. 1548	Rich Genny[12]

S. PETER

Founded by Wm Manceter, dean (1222-53).

Endowment 6*l.* 12*s.* 11*d.* (*a*), 6*l.* 15*s.* 3½*d.* gross (*b*), 6*l.* 10*s.* 6½*d.* net (*b, c*), whereof 20*d.* is distributed to the poor on the vigil of SS. Peter and Paul (*c*); 16*s.* 10*d.* net, and a part of 2*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.* (*see S. Andrew's chantry*), a yearly rent of 5*l.* used to be paid to this chantry priest out of the Augmentation Court by reason of a grant made by the Prior and Convent of Kenilworth, which is now extinct (*r*); priest's chamber 16*d.*; salary 4*l.* 16*s.* 11*d.* (*a*).

S. NICHOLAS

Founded by bishop Walter de Langton (bp 1295-1321); commonly called "The King's" or "Langton's" in 1372 the diocesan register states that this chantry had been founded by the church of Condover (Salop) for the souls of Henry and Edward, sometime kings of England, and of the bishops of the place. (S. H. C., x, n.s. pt. ii, p. 42.)

Endowment £1. 1s. 2d. (a), 4d. 16s. 10d. net, wherefrom 3d. to the poor (b), 4d. 19s. 3d. net, wherefrom to the poor 3d. (c); 19s. 10d. net (r); priest's chamber 12d. (a); salary 4d. 6s. 6½d. (a), 4d. 6s. 2d. (c); pension 4d. 6s. 2d. (b 1535); "plate and ornaments appear in inventory annexed to certificate of chantry of Nicholas de Lega" (d); no plate or goods (b).

INCUMBENTS

	res. 1524	John Bradford
25 Jan. 1524-5	occ. 1535	Robt Clerke
11 Nov. 1547	occ. 1548	John Hare

S. NICHOLAS

Founded by Nicholas de Lega (a canon of Lichfield, c. 1265).

Endowment 9d. 13s. 10d. (a), 9d. 12s. 10d. gross (b), 9d. 1s. 9d. net (b, c, r); priest's chamber 12d. (a); salary 8l. 8s. 6½d. (a), 8l. 7s. 6½d. (c); pension 6d. (p); partly gilt plate 11½ oz. (a), 11 oz., ornaments 3s. 2d. (b).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	ob. 19 Sep. 1539	Thos Maderer
28 Sep. 1539	occ. 1548	Rich Gunny [1]

S. PETER

Founded by Wm Mancester, dean (1222-53).

Endowment 6l. 12s. 11d. (a), 6l. 13s. 3½d. gross (b), 6l. 10s. 6½d. net (b, c), wherefrom 20d. is distributed to the poor on the vigil of SS. Peter and Paul (c); 16s. 10d. net and a part of 2l. 9s. 0d. (see S. Andrew's chantry), a yearly rent of 5l. used to be paid to this chantry priest out of the Augmentation Court by reason of a grant made by the Prior and Convent of Kenilworth, which is now extinct (r); priest's chamber 16d., salary 4l. 16s. 11d. (a).

4*l.* 19*s.* 7½*d.* (*c*); pension 4*l.* 19*s.* 7*d.* (*p* 1555, *q*); white plate 15 oz. (*a*), partly gilt plate 12 oz., ornaments 1*s.* 5*d.* (*b*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5		Hugh Lynton
23 June 1544 ff.	ob. 1546	Roger Mathew
25 Sep. 1546 ff.	occ. 1548	John Atkyns

S. RADEGUND THE VIRGIN

Founded by Hugh Sotesby (preb. of Whittington 1268-98), whereunto afterward one other chantry and all the possessions thereof being before that (*sic*) time founded by one Robt Hulton within the church of S. Michael in Lichfield was wholly united and conveyed (*b*).

Endowment 8*l.* 15*s.* 0¾*d.* (*a*), 8*l.* 8*s.* 1¾*d.* gross (*b*), 8*l.* 8*s.* 4¾*d.* gross (*r*), 8*l.* 1*s.* 1¾*d.* net (*b, c*), 8*l.* 1*s.* 4¾*d.* net (*r*); priest's chamber 20*d.* (*a*); salary 7*l.* 7*s.* 7¼*d.* (*a, c*); pension 6*l.* (*p*); partly gilt plate 11 oz. (*a*), 8 oz., ornaments 1*s.* 4*d.* (*b*).

INCUMBENTS

29 Aug. 1524	res. 1529	Robt Rawson[13]
17 Aug. 1529	ob. 1531	Wm Bullok
29 Mar. 1531	ob. 1538	Rich Shaw[14]
28 Feb. 1538-9	occ. 1548	Rich Knott[15]

S. THOMAS THE MARTYR, AFTERWARDS ALL HALLOWS

Founded by John Kynardsley (preb. of Flixton 1322-6).

Endowment 6*l.* 0*s.* 1½*d.* (*a*), 5*l.* 16*s.* 5½*d.* net (*b, c, r*), whereof 1*s.* 4*d.* to the poor in almshouses; priest's chamber 16*d.* (*a*); salary 4*l.* 14*s.* 10½*d.* (*a*), 4*l.* 19*s.* 7*d.* (*c*); pension 4*l.* 19*s.* 7*d.* (*p* 1555, *q*); gilt plate 15½ oz. (*a*), partly gilt plate 13 oz., ornaments 2*s.* 7*d.* (*b*).

INCUMBENTS

	res. 1531	Rich Shaw[14]
3 Ap. 1531	occ. 1535	John Norres[16]
31 Aug. 1535		Wm Katerbanke[17]
24 July 1544	res. 1545	Thos Tatton[18]
22 Dec. 1545	occ. 1548	Hen Hylton[19]

4l. 19s. 7½d. (c); pension 4d. 19s. 7d. (b 1555, 6); white plate 15 oz. (a), partly gilt plate 12 oz., ornaments 1s. 5d. (b).

INCUMBENTS

	occ. 1533-5	Hugh Lynton
23 June 1544	fl. ob. 1546	Roger Matthew
25 Sep. 1546	fl. occ. 1548	John Athyns

5. RADEGUND THE VIRGIN

Founded by Hugh Sotesby (preb. of Whittington 1265-95), whereunto afterward one other chantry and all the possessions thereof being before that (sic) time founded by one Robt Hutton within the church of S. Michael in Lichfield was wholly united and conveyed (b).

Endowment 8l. 15s. 0½d. (a), 8l. 8s. 1½d. gross (b), 8l. 8s. 4½d. gross (v), 8l. 1s. 1½d. net (b, e), 8l. 7s. 4½d. net (v); priest's chamber 20d. (a); salary 7l. 7s. 7½d. (c, e); pension 6l. (b); partly gilt plate 11 oz. (a), 8 oz., ornaments 1s. 4d. (b).

INCUMBENTS

29 Aug. 1524	res. 1529	Robt Rawson[11]
17 Aug. 1529	ob. 1531	Wm Bullock
29 Mar. 1531	ob. 1538	Rich Shaw[11]
28 Feb. 1538-9	occ. 1548	Rich Knott[11]

6. THOMAS THE MARTYR, AFTERWARDS ALL HALLOWS

Founded by John Kynardsley (preb. of Flixton 1322-6).

Endowment 6l. 0s. 1½d. (a), 5l. 19s. 3½d. net (b, c, v), wherefrom 1s. 4d. to the poor in almshouses; priest's chamber 16d. (a); salary 4l. 14s. 10½d. (a), 4l. 19s. 7d. (c); pension 4d. 19s. 7d. (b 1555, 6); gilt plate 13½ oz. (a), partly gilt plate 13 oz., ornaments 2s. 7d. (b).

INCUMBENTS

	res. 1531	Rich Shaw[11]
3 Apr. 1531	occ. 1535	John Norres[11]
31 Aug. 1535		Wm Katerbynke[11]
24 July 1544	res. 1545	Thos Hutton[11]
22 Dec. 1545	occ. 1548	Hen Hylton[11]

NO ALTAR NAMED

Founded by John Yotton, dean (1493-1512), to find a priest daily to sing mass for all Christian souls, who should always be a graduate in divinity or in civil law. If the former he is to preach 4 sermons (*a*)—the word of God unfeignedly (*b*)—each year; if the latter he is to give godly learned counsel to the poor without charge and freely to help poor men's causes in the (bishop's) consistory (*a, b, c*).

Endowment 13*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.* (*a*), 15*l.* 3*s.* 11½*d.* gross (*b*), 13*l.* 0*s.* 4½*d.* net (*b*), 14*l.* 8*s.* 2*d.* net (*c*), 15*l.* 2*s.* 10½*d.* net (*r*); priest's dwelling house 6*s.* 8*d.* (*a*); salary 11*l.* 3*s.* 3½*d.* (*a*), 11*l.* 1*s.* 5*d.* (*c*); gilt plate 26 oz. (*a*), partly gilt plate 25 oz., ornaments 3*s.* 10*d.*

INCUMBENT

30 Dec. 1534	occ. 1548	Hen Sydall B.D.[20]

THE VICARS CHORAL

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PREBEND OF ALREWAS, ANNEXED TO THE CHANCELLORSHIP OF THE CATHEDRAL

VICARS CHORAL

18 Mar. 1533-4		Wm Lewys[21]
	ob. 1539	Thos Conycroft[22]
8 May 1539	res. 1542	Wm Smith[23]
15 Ap. 1542	res. 1558	John Lane[24]
31 Mar. 1558		Robt Downing[25]

PREBEND OF BERKSWICH

VICAR CHORAL

22 Nov. 1523		John Parker

NO ALTAR NAMED

Founded by John Yotton, dean (1495-1512), to find a priest daily to sing mass for all Christian souls, who should always be a graduate in divinity or in civil law. If the former he is to preach 4 sermons (a)—the word of God unfeignedly (b)—each year; if the latter he is to give godly learned counsel to the poor without charge and freely to help poor men's causes in the (bishop's) consistory (a, b, c).

Endowment 13l. 10s. 2d. (a), 15l. 3s. 11¼d. gross (b), 13l. 0s. 4¼d. net (b), 14l. 8s. 2d. net (c), 13l. 2s. 10¼d. net (c); priest's dwelling house 6s. 8d. (a); salary 11l. 3s. 3¼d. (a), 12l. 1s. 5d. (c); gilt plate 20 oz. (a), partly gilt plate 25 oz., ornaments 3s. 10d.

INCUMBENT

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PREBEND OF ALREWAS, ANNEXED TO THE CHANCELLORSHIP OF THE CATHEDRAL

VICARS CHORAL

18 Mar. 1533-4		Wm Lewys[a]
	ob. 1539	Thos Conyeroft[a]
8 May 1539	res. 1542	Wm Smith[a]
15 Ap. 1542	res. 1558	John Lane[a]
31 Mar. 1558		Robt Downing[a]

PREBEND OF BERKSWICH

VICAR CHORAL

22 Nov. 1523	John Parker

PREBEND OF BISHOPSHULL

VICARS CHORAL

None named

PREBEND OF BOBENHALL

VICARS CHORAL

21 Jan. 1523-4	res. 1531	Thos Conycroft [22]
19 May 1531	occ. 1559	John Audley [26]

PREBEND OF BOLTON, ANNEXED TO THE ARCH-DEACONRY OF CHESTER

VICARS CHORAL

31 Mar. 1524		Christopher Synd' [27]
12 Nov. 1524	res. 1532	Robt Downam [28]
5 Mar. 1532-3	res. 1533	Robt Fyggin [29]
1 Sep. 1533	res. 1534?	Hen Holgreve [30]

PREBEND OF CURBOROUGH

VICARS CHORAL

24 Ap. 1532		Wm Kyrkman (lay) [31]
17 Feb. 1544-5		Thos Downham [32]
	res. Aug. 1557	James Fox [33]

PREBEND OF COLWICH

VICARS CHORAL

12 Dec. 1524		John Johnson
8 Oct. 1526		John Wolmore (lay)
8 July 1531		Rich Pyllysworth (lay) [34]
12 Feb. 1534-5		Thos Bagott (lay)

THE DEAN

VICARS CHORAL

8 May 1535	res. 1545	Hen Hilton [19]
22 Dec. 1545	occ. 1559	Thos Stele [35]

PREBEND OF DASSETT PARVA

VICARS CHORAL

None named

PREBEND OF DERNFORD

VICARS CHORAL

None named

PREBEND OF ECCLESHALL, ANNEXED TO THE ARCHDEACONRY OF DERBY

VICARS CHORAL

29 Nov. 1523		Edw Gosnell (lay)
4 Oct. 1543		Thos Downham [32]

PREBEND OF FLIXTON

VICARS CHORAL

None named

PREBEND OF FREEFORD, ANNEXED TO THE ARCHDEACONRY OF COVENTRY

VICARS CHORAL

19 May 1531	res. 1542	John Lane [24]
11 June 1542	res. 1558	Wm Brymley [36]
23 June 1559		Hen Flemyng [37]

PREBENDS OF GAIA MAJOR AND GAIA MINOR

VICARS CHORAL

None named

PREBEND OF HANSACRE

VICARS CHORAL

29 July 1526	res. 1528	Geo Whithorne [38]
22 Nov. 1528	res. 1531	John Lane [24]
19 May 1531		Thos Conycroft [22]
occ. 1534	res. 1544	Thos Dobson [39]
17 May 1544	res. 1546	Thos Stele [35]
12 May 1546		Rich Hewer
	res. 1559	Wm Parker [40]
12 Dec. 1559		Thos Lyster

PREBEND OF ITCHINGTON, ANNEXED TO THE PRECENTORSHIP

SUCCENTORS

occ. 1527-1538		John Colmore [41]
1 June 1543	occ. 1559	Wm Smith [23]
1561		Thos Steele [35]

PREBEND OF DERNFORD
VICARS CHORAL

None named

PREBEND OF ECCLESHALL, ANNEXED TO THE ARCHDEACONRY OF DERBY
VICARS CHORAL

29 Nov. 1523	Rdw Gosnell (Jay)
4 Oct. 1543	Thos Dovynham[22]

PREBEND OF FLIXTON
VICARS CHORAL

None named

PREBEND OF FREEFORD, ANNEXED TO THE ARCHDEACONRY OF COVENTRY
VICARS CHORAL

19 May 1531	res. 1542	John Lane[22]
11 June 1542	res. 1558	Wm Brynley[22]
23 June 1559		Hen Henryng[22]

PREBENDS OF ⊕AIA MAJOR AND ⊕AIA MINOR
VICARS CHORAL

None named

PREBEND OF HANSACRE
VICARS CHORAL

29 July 1526	res. 1538	Geo Wightborne[22]
22 Nov. 1538	res. 1551	John Lane[22]
19 May 1551		Thos Conyerth[22]
occ. 1554	res. 1544	Thos Dobson[22]
17 May 1544	res. 1546	Thos Stele[22]
12 May 1546		Rich Hever
	res. 1559	Wm Parker[22]
12 Dec. 1559		Thos Lyster

PREBEND OF ITCHINGTON, ANNEXED TO THE PRECENTORSHIP
SUCCENTORS

occ. 1527-1538		John Colmore[22]
1 June 1543	occ. 1559	Wm Smith[22]
1561		Thos Stevle[22]

	1570	Wm Cyrkeman [31]
	1573	Wm Brymley [36]
	1585	Wm Davids
	1599	Robt Barker [42]
2 Ap. 1624		Ralf Swift [43]
20 Mar. 1640-1		Zach Turnpenny
30 Oct. 1672		Wm Baker

PREBEND OF LONGDON

VICARS CHORAL

occ. 1527	res. 1531	Hum Robynson
11 Jan. 1531-2	res. 1533	Wm Lewys [21]
18 Mar. 1533-4		Hen Holgreve [30]
occ. 1559		John Adde [44]

PREBEND OF OFFLEY

VICARS CHORAL

7 Ap. 1524		Hen Hilton [19]
22 Nov. 1528		Geo Whithorne [38]
21 June 1532	ob. 1538	John Wykey
17 Dec. 1538		John Wilkynson [45]
17 June 1540		Edw Brereton
3 Ap. 1545		Hugh Wylson [46]

PREBEND OF PIPA MINOR OR PREES, ANNEXED TO THE ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP

VICARS CHORAL

occ. 1527	depr. 9 July 1530	Robt Norres (lay)
19 Oct. 1530		Wm Hunter (lay) [47]

PREBEND OF PIPA PARVA
PREBEND OF RYTON
PREBEND OF SANDIACRE

VICARS CHORAL

None named

PREBEND OF SAWLEY, ANNEXED TO THE TREASURERSHIP

SACRISTS OR SEXTONS

	res. 29 July 1523	John Fitzherbert
occ. 1533-35		John Aston [5]

1570	Wm Cyrkeman[44]
1573	Wm Brymley[44]
1585	Wm Davids
1599	Robt Barker[44]
2 Ap. 1624	Rob Swift[44]
20 Mar. 1640-1	Zach Turnpenny
30 Oct. 1672	Wm Baker

PREBEND OF LONDON

VICARS CHORAL

occ. 1527	res. 1531	Hum Robynson
11 Jan. 1531-2	res. 1533	Wm Lewys[45]
18 Mar. 1533-4		Hen Holgreve[46]
occ. 1559		John Adde[44]

PREBEND OF OFFLEY

VICARS CHORAL

7 Ap. 1524		Hen Hilton[47]
22 Nov. 1528		Geo Whithorne[48]
21 June 1532	ob. 1538	John Wykey
17 Dec. 1538		John Willymson[45]
17 June 1540		Rdw Dereton
3 Ap. 1545		Hugh Wylson[44]

PREBEND OF PIPA MINOR OR PREES, ANNEXED TO THE ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP

VICARS CHORAL

occ. 1527	depr. 9 July 1550	Robt Norres (lay)
19 Oct. 1530		Wm Hunter (lay)[47]

PREBEND OF PIPA PARVA
PREBEND OF RYTON
PREBEND OF SANDIACRE

VICARS CHORAL

None named

PREBEND OF SAWLEY, ANNEXED TO THE TREASURERSHIP

SACRISTS OR SEXTONS

	res. 29 July 1523	John Fitzherbert
occ. 1533-35		John Aston[4]

c. Feb. 1557-8		Robt Downing [25]
	occ. 1559	John Lane [24]

PREBEND OF STATFOLD

VICARS CHORAL

	res. 1524	Christopher Synd' [27]
31 Mar. 1524		Hen Pynder
22 Feb. 1524-5		John Howell [48]
20 Feb. 1528-9	res. April 1531	John Colyer
15 Ap. 1531	res. May 1531	Hen Crosse [49]
19 May 1531	res. May 1536	Hen Hilton [19]
20 May 1536	res. Dec. 1537	Robt Fyggyn [29]
8 Dec. 1537	res. May 1539	Wm Smyth [23]
8 May 1539		John Wilkinson [45]
11 June 1542		Dunstan Mabe
19 Oct. 1543		Ralph Elcocke
9 Aug. 1557	occ. 1559	James Fox [33]

PREBEND OF TACHBROOK

VICARS CHORAL

	res. April 1532	Wm Crewe
18 Ap. 1532		Rich Prynce
1 Dec. 1534		Rich Pyllesworth (lay) [34]

PREBEND OF TERVIN

VICARS CHORAL

25 Nov. 1523	res. 9 Sep. 1524	Thos Wright
8 Jan. 1532-3		John Sandland [7]

PREBEND OF UFTON OR OLOUGHTON DECANI

VICARS CHORAL

	res. 1523	Rich Churchyard
30 Nov. 1523	res. 1526	John Howell [48]
7 Ap. 1526	res. 1531	Hen Hilton [19]
17 May 1531	res. 1539	Hen Crosse [49]
25 July 1539		Hen Haughton
23 Dec. 1558	occ. 1559	Wm Brymley [36]

c. Feb. 1557-8		Robt Downing **
	occ. 1559	John Lane **

PREBEND OF STATFOLD

VICARS CHORAL

	res. 1524	Christopher Syrad **
31 Mar. 1524		Hen Fynder
22 Feb. 1524-5		John Howell **
20 Feb. 1528-9	res. April 1531	John Colyer
15 Ap. 1531	res. May 1531	Hen Crosse **
19 May 1531	res. May 1536	Hen Hilton **
20 May 1536	res. Dec. 1537	Robt Fyreyn **
8 Dec. 1537	res. May 1539	Wm Smyth **
8 May 1539		John Wilkinson **
11 June 1542		Dunstan Mabe
19 Oct. 1543		Ralph Hocke
9 Aug. 1557	occ. 1559	James Fox **

PREBEND OF TACHBROOK

VICARS CHORAL

	res. April 1532	Wm Crowe
18 Ap. 1532		Rich Pryce
1 Dec. 1534		Rich Pyllesworth (July) **

PREBEND OF TERVIN

VICARS CHORAL

25 Nov. 1523	res. 9 Sep. 1524	Thos Wright
8 Jan. 1532-3		John Sandland †

PREBEND OF UFTON OR OLSWOTTON DECANI

VICARS CHORAL

	res. 1523	Rich Chareclyand
30 Nov. 1523	res. 1540	John Howell **
7 Ap. 1540	res. 1531	Hen Hilton **
17 May 1531	res. 1539	Hen Crosse **
25 July 1539		Hen Haughton
23 Dec. 1558	occ. 1559	Wm Frynsly **

PREBEND OF UFTON OR OLOUGHTON CANTORIS

VICARS CHORAL

3 July 1523		Thos Conycroft[22]
14 Aug. 1524	ob. 1532	Leonard Suddall
1 Mar. 1532-3		John Wyley
8 Dec. 1537	res. 1538	Robt Fyggyn[29]
31 Jan. 1558-9		John Smyth
	occ. 1559	Rich Waite?[50]

PREBEND OF WEEFORD

VICARS CHORAL

22 Mar. 1531-2	Robt Downam[28]
3 June 1558	Thos Feller(?)

PREBEND OF WELLINGTON

VICARS CHORAL

18 Mar. 1523-4		Philip Alcock
	res. 1533	Wm Hunter[47]
29 Nov. 1533	occ. 1555	John Sandland[7]

PREBEND OF WHITTINGTON

VICAR CHORAL

13 Mar. 1532-3	Edw Gosnall (lay)

PREBEND OF WOLVEY

VICAR CHORAL

16 Mar. 1532-3	Geo Jenyns (lay)

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STIPENDIARIES

occ. 1533	Roger Chyldehouse
occ. 1533	Wm Hyll[51]
occ. 1533	Rich Genny[12]
occ. 1533	Hugh Wylson[48]

PREBEND OF UFTON OR OLOUGHTON CANTORIS

VICARS CHORAL

3 July 1523		Thos Conyerton**
14 Aug. 1524	ob. 1532	Leonard Sudduall
1 Mar. 1532-3		John Wyley
8 Dec. 1537	res. 1538	Robert Yeryn**
31 Jan. 1558-9		John Smyth
	occ. 1559	Rich Walle?**

PREBEND OF WEEFORD

VICARS CHORAL

22 Mar. 1531-2	Robt Dowman**
3 June 1558	Thos Feller(?)

PREBEND OF WELLINGTON

VICARS CHORAL

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	res. 1533	Wm Hunter**
29 Nov. 1533	occ. 1555	John Sandland*

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VICAR CHORAL

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VICAR CHORAL

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occ. 1533	Hugh Wylson**

STIPENDIARY AND VICAR CHORAL

occ. 1533 John Fyggon

VICARS CHORAL

occ. 1527 — Adams [52]
occ. 1527 John Aston [5]
occ. 1527 John Audley [26]
occ. 1527, 1534 Thos Kyrke [53]
occ. 1527 John Norres [16]
occ. 1527 John Sandland [7]
occ. 1527 Leonard Snydall
occ. 1527 Wm Whitbroke
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(Geoffrey) Blythe, bp (of Cov. & Lich. 1503-34), 1*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.* (*b, r*).

STIPENDIARY AND VICAR CHORAL

occ. 1533 John Fyggon

VICARS CHORAL

occ. 1527 — Adams[a]
occ. 1527 John Aston[a]
occ. 1527 John Audley[a]
occ. 1527, 1534 Thos Kytka[a]
occ. 1527 John Norris[a]
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Ralph Collingwood, dean (1512-22), 1*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.* (*Lich.*, p. 181) (*b, r*).

Walter Skirlowes (Skirlaw), bp (of Cov. & Lich. 1386). The dean gave 1*s.* 0*d.* to the sexton for lights and ringing at this obit, which was kept by the vicars choral. (*Lich.*, p. 142, *b, r.*)

Peter Radnor, 1*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.*, of which 12*s.* 0*d.* had been given to the Friars Minor, and, since their dissolution, 22*s.* 0*d.* or 24*s.* 0*d.* to the poor. (*See his chantry.*) (*b, e, r.*)

The Kings of England. (*See their chantry.*) (*r.*)

Rich Scrope, bp (of Cov. & Lich. 1386-96; *Lich.*, pp. 142, 143). (*See his chantry.*) (*r.*)

OBITS OF THE VICARS CHORAL

The vicars choral spent 6*s.* 8*d.* or 7*s.* 0*d.* on each obit, except on those obits where another sum is named. Obits marked * were certified in May 1548 (*b, r*), the remainder in June 1549 (*e*).

*Wm Admonston (Almodeston), canon (preb. of Dassett parva, Gaia minor, archd. of Staff., 1421-33).

Nich Aldewas (sacrist, occ. 1331; *Lich.*, p. 275; *Cox*, p. 168).

Thos Baylly, 10*s.* 6*d.*

Wm Balshaw (preb. of Offley, 1395).

Robt Birde.

Peter Birell (sub-chanter, occ. 1457-70; *Lich.*, pp. 273, 404).

John Birmingham.

*Rich Bermyncham. (*See his chantry*; *Lich.*, p. 233.)

Geoffrey (Blythe), bp (of Cov. & Lich. 1503-34).

Alex Blondy. (Blundus, canon of Lich. occ. 1242-75; *Cox*, pp. 114, 115; *Lich.*, p. 558.)

Rich de Bole. (Boule, B.C.L., archd. of Cov., 1354, preb. of Hansacre, 1356, etc.; *S. H. C.*, x, n.s., pt. ii, p. 220.)

John Bokyngham, bp (of Linc., dean here, 1340-63; *Lich.*, p. 178).

Robt Brotherton, 10*s.* 6*d.*

John de Burghall, bp (of Cov. & Lich. 1398-1414).

Wm Burton.

John Chelmesford (preb. of Gaia major, 1338).

*Thos Chesterfield, canon resident, 9*s.* 5*d.* (preb. of Tervin archd. of Salop, ob. 1452; *Lich.*, pp. 215, 278, 291).

Ralph Collingwood, dean (1519-22), 1d. 5s. 0d. (Lich., p. 181) (b, v).

Walter Skirlowes (Skirlaw), bp (of Cov. & Lich. 1360). The dean gave 1s. 0d. to the sexton for lights and ringing at this obit, which was kept by the vicars choral. (Lich., p. 142, b, v.)

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The Kings of England. (See their chantry.) (x.)

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*Wm Adamston (Almodestun), canon (prob. of Dassett parva, Gaia major, archd. of Stafd., 1342-3).

Nich Aldewas (secular), occ. 1331; Lich., p. 275; Cov., p. 168).

Thos Bayllyf, 10s. 0d.

Wm Balshaw (prob. of Offley, 1395).

Robt Birde.

Peter Birell (sub-chanter, occ. 1457-70; Lich., pp. 272, 304).

John Birmingham.

*Rich Bermyncham. (See his chantry; Lich., p. 233.)

Geoffrey (Blythe), bp (of Cov. & Lich. 1503-34).

Alex Blondy. (Blundus, canon of Lich. occ. 1242-75; Cd., pp. 114, 115; Lich., p. 358.)

Rich de Bole. (Boule, R.C.L., archd. of Cov., 1354; prob. of Hanacre, 1356, etc.; S. R. C., x, n.6., pt. ii, p. 220.)

John Bokynham, bp (of Linc., dean here, 1340-63; Lich., p. 176).

Robt Brotherton, 10s. 0d.

John de Burghall, bp (of Cov. & Lich. 1398-141[illegible]).

Wm Burton.

John Chelmesford (prob. of Gaia major, 1338).

*Thos Chesterfield, canon resident, 9s. 8d. (prob. of Tervin archd. of Salop, ob. 1452; Lich., pp. 218-[illegible], 301).

Wm Clarel. (?John, preb. of Pipa minor, 1337; *Cox*, p. 184.)

Thos Clopton (preb. of Flixton & Bishopshull, 1326-7; *Cox*, pp. 168, 172, 173, 183; *Lich.*, p. 274).

Wm Collyns.

*James Denton, 50*s.* 6*d.*, dean (1523-32; *Lich.*, pp. 181, 283; *Cox*, p. 76, etc.).

King Edward III, 8*s.* 0*d.* (*Lich.*, p. 282).

*Thos Hanley, canon (preb. of Gaia major 1389-1422; *Cox*, p. 88).

*Thos Hardwick, 8*s.* 0*d.*, canon. (*See his chantry.*)

*Thos Heywod, 8*s.* 0*d.*, dean. (*See his chantry* & *Lich.*, pp. 180, 272, 273, 274.)

(Wm) Heywod, 10*s.* 6*d.*, bp (of Cov. & Lich. 1419-46; *Lich.*, p. 144).

Hen Hyns.

Rich Hodde.

Hugh Hopwas, 7*s.* 6*d.* (vicar general, preb. of Curborough, ob. 1383; *Lich.*, p. 281; *Cox*, pp. 169, 178; *S. H. C.*, x, n.s., pt. ii, p. 220).

Walter Langton. (*See his chantry*; *Cox*, pp. 30, 125; *Lich.*, pp. 275, 283.)

Wm Lynton. (Lenton, sacrist, c. 1300; *Cox*, p. 221.)

Wm Manchester. (?Manceter. *See his chantry* & *Cox*, p. 123; *Lich.*, p. 283.)

Thos Marshall. (?Maunchell, preb. of Ryton, occ. 1443.)

John Maundefilde. (Mauncefelt, Mansfield, chan. prst. res. 1385; *Cox*, pp. 86, 189.)

(John) Melborne (preb. of Offley, 1332-52).

*John Menely, canon resident (preb. of Offley, 1453-80; *Lich.*, p. 238).

Rich Merford (?Robt, occ. 1396-1426, as chap. of S. Peter's chapel, and sub-chanter; *Cox*, pp. 88, 162, etc.).

John Morton (preb. of Dernford & Longdon, 1376-81; *Lich.*, p. 274; *Cox*, p. 169; *S. H. C.*, x, n.s., pt. ii, p. 217).

Wm Newhall, 10*s.* 6*d.* (?Newell, chan. prst. 1385; *Cox*, p. 86, & ?Newhagh, archd. of Chester 1390, etc.; *Lich.*, p. 189.)

Wm Newport (chancellor 1403-09, preb. of Longdon 1411, dean of Tamworth).

(Roger) Northampton (occ. 1309, ob. 1367, preb. of Dernford & chancellor; *Cox*, pp. 33, 225, etc.).

Wm Claxel. (?John, preb. of Pipa minor, 1337; Cox, p. 184.)
Thos Clopton (preb. of Pilaton & Bishopshull, 1326-7; Cox, pp. 168, 172, 173, 183; Lich., p. 274)
Wm Collyns.
*James Denton, 505. 6d., dean (1523-32; Lich., pp. 181, 283; Cox, p. 76, etc.).
King Edward III, 8s. 0d. (Lich., p. 283).
*Thos Hanley, canon (preb. of Gaia major 1358-1422; Cox, p. 88).
*Thos Hardwick, 8s. 0d., canon. (See his chantry.)
*Thos Heywod, 8s. 0d., dean. (See his chantry & Lich., pp. 180, 272, 273, 274.)
(Wm) Heywood 10s. 6d., bp (of Cov. & Lich. 1410-40; Lich., p. 144).
Hen Hyns.
Rich Hodde.
Hugh Hopwas, 7s. 6d. (vicar general, preb. of Curborough, ob. 1383; Lich., p. 281; Cox, pp. 189, 178; S. R. C., x, n.s., pt. ii, p. 220).
Walter Langton. (See his chantry; Cox, pp. 30, 125; Lich., pp. 275, 283.)
Wm Lynton. (Lenton, sacrist, c. 1300; Cox, p. 221.)
Wm Manchester. (?Manceter. See his chantry & Cox, p. 123; Lich., p. 283.)
Thos Marshall. (?Mauncheil, preb. of Ryton, occ. 1443.)
John Maundeville. (Mauncelet, Mauncfield, chan. prest. res. 1385; Cox, pp. 86, 189.)
(John) Melborne (preb. of Offley, 1332-52).
*John Menely, canon resident (preb. of Offley, 1453-80; Lich., p. 238).
Rich Merford (?Robt, occ. 1305-1425; as chap. of S. Peter's chapel, and sub-chanter; Cox, pp. 85, 102, etc.).
John Morton (preb. of Dernford & Longdon, 1376-81; Lich., p. 274; Cox, p. 189; S. R. C., x, n.s., pt. ii, p. 217).
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(Roger) Northampton (occ. 1309, ob. 1367, preb. of Dernford & chancellor; Cox, pp. 33, 225, etc.).

Rich Norton (alias Hawys de Norton, vicar of Rugeley, 1376-89; *Cox*, p. 174).

Wm Norton (chap. at Lich. 1365; *S. H. C.*, x, n.s., pt. ii, pp. 35, 112).

Adam Norwell.

John Nutt.

John Odeby. (Oudeby, Outheby, B.L., archd. of Stafford & Derby, etc., ob. 1417; *S. H. C.*, x, n.s., pt. ii, p. 151, etc.; *Lich.*, p. 201.)

John Paxton. (Packston, Paston, sacrist, occ. 1483-92; *Cox*, p. 190; *Lich.*, pp. 180, 548.)

Walter Pers. (Pierse, preb. of Ryton & Dassett parva, occ. 1415-34.)

Wm Plommer, 7*s.* 8*d.* (?le Plumere, occ. 1331; *Cox*, p. 183.)

Thos Pole, 12*s.* 10*d.* (preb. of Hansacre 1432).

Robt Portjoy, 8*s.* 0*d.*, vicar ("of our church of Lichfield" in 1360; *S. H. C.*, VIII, n.s., p. 92; ob. c. Oct. 1371, *S. H. C.*, x, n.s., pt. ii, p. 47).

John Pulton.

George Ratcliff. (*See his chantry.*)

John Ridhill, 18*s.* 0*d.* (Reedhill, Rudhill, preb. of Ufton decani & Pipa minor, occ. 1451-59.)

Hugh Ridware (?of Lich., occ. 1333; *Cox*, p. 172).

Robt Saperton.

Thos Sempryngham.

Peter Sherham.

*Walter Skirlowe (Skirlaw), 10*s.*.6*d.*, bp (of Cov. & Lich. 1386; *Lich.*, pp. 141, 142).

John Slurcok. (?a carpenter in 1329; *Lich.*, p. 280; cf. *Cox*, p. 185.)

Rauf Stafford, knight, 7*s.* 6*d.*

(Robt) Stretton, bp (of Cov. & Lich. 1360-86; *Cox*, p. 169; *Lich.*, p. 274).

Thos Taverner (of Lich., lord of Stretton in 1361; *S. H. C.*, x, n.s., pt. ii, p. 71; *ibid.* VIII, n.s., p. 54; *Lich.*, pp. 398, 399).

Robt Tentrell. (?Tayntrell, occ. 1387; *Lich.*, pp. 319, 323, 399.)

*John Thyngden, vicar choral.

Wm Tynehill, 10*s.* 6*d.*

Rich Topclyff (archd. of Stafford, etc., occ. 1380-93).

Rich Norton (alias Hawys de Norton, vicar of Nuneley, 1379-80; Cox, p. 174).
Wm Norton (chap. at Lich. 1365; S. R. C., x, n.s., pt. ii, pp. 35, 112).
Adam Norwell.
John Nutt.
John Odeby, (Oudeby, Oatheby, B.L., archd. of Stafford & Derby, etc., ob. 1417; S. R. C., x, n.s., pt. ii, p. 151, etc.; Lich., p. 201.)
John Paxton. (Packston, Paston, secrist, occ. 1483-92; Cox, p. 190; Lich., pp. 180, 548.)
Walter Peers. (Piers, preb. of Ryton & Dassett parva, occ. 1415-34.)
Wm Plommer, ps. 84 (?le Plumer, occ. 1331; Cox, p. 183.)
Thos Pole, 1251, 1261 (preb. of Hansacre 1432).
Robt Portloy, 85, ob., vicar (" of our church of Lichfield " in 1360; S. R. C., viii, n.s., p. 92; ob. c. Oct. 1371, S. R. C., x, n.s., pt. ii, p. 417).
John Pulton.
George Ratcliff. (See his chantry.)
John Ridhill, 1851, ob. (Reedhill, Redhill, preb. of Ulton decani & Pipa minor, occ. 1451-59.)
Hugh Ridware (?of Lich., occ. 1333; Cox, p. 172).
Robt Saperton.
Thos Sempryngham.
Peter Sherham.
*Walter Skirlowe (Skirlaw), 1401-04, bp (of Cov. & Lich. 1385; Lich., pp. 141, 143).
John Surcok. (?a carpenter in 1320; Lich., p. 280; cf. Cox, p. 185.)
Raul Stafford, knight, ps. 64.
(Robt) Stretton, bp (of Cov. & Lich. 1360-86; Cox, p. 169; Lich., p. 274).
Thos Taverner (of Lich., lord of Stretton in 1361; S. R. C., x, n.s., pt. ii, p. 71; ibid. viii, n.s., p. 34; Lich., pp. 398, 399).
Robt Tentrell. (?Tayntrell, occ. 1387; Lich., pp. 319, 323, 399.)
* John Thyngden, vicar choral.
Wm Tynehill, 1051, 64.
Rich Topclyff (archd. of Stafford, etc., occ. 1380-93).

Thos Valeys. (Vayles, occ. 1401-2; *Lich.*, p. 281.)
Rich Voclys. (?Valeys, vicar choral, occ. 1365-91; *Cox*, pp. 99, 184, 187, 188.)
Adam Walton. (Chancellor 1276-90, precentor 1292-1303.)
Wm Walton. (*See S. Michael's chantry.*)
Roger Warborough, 8*s.* 0*d.*, bishop. (?Norbury, bp of Cov. & Lich. 1322-59; *Cox*, p. 169; *Lich.*, p. 274.)
Peter Wigan (vicar choral, occ. 1324-47; *Cox*, pp. 178, 196).
Hen Wyshaw (vicar general 1290, official 1247).
John Whelpdale (preb. of Longdon & Tervin, chaplain to Hen VI, ob. 1489).

LIGHTS, ETC.

Certified in 1548 that there had been given by the Abbot and Convent of Leicester an annual sum of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for lights and other charges belonging to the office of sexton and that the residue of the charges of the vestry had been borne by the dean and chapter (*b*).

PARTICULARS OF THE VESTRY CHARGES (*b*)

Lights before the sacrament 2*l.*
Lights in sconces in winter at matins and evensong 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
Lights called Syfes at all masses said within the same church 1*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*
Bread and wine to say mass with yearly 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
Bell ropes and other charges about the bells by year 1*l.*
Washing and repairing the albes and ornaments 13*s.* 4*d.*

S. MARY'S CHURCH

Formerly called Lady Chapel, Chapel of our Lady or Chapel Church.

Ch. Orn., 28 Ap. 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 corporal cloth with embroidered black velvet case; 7 vestments, 1 of red damask with albe, 1 of blue velvet with albe, 1 of green satin, 1 of blue Bruges satin, 1 of baudekin, 1 of black worsted, 1 of red saie; 3 copes, 1 of red velvet, 1 of green velvet, 1 of red saie; 2 palls, 1 of black velvet & cloth of gold, 1 of black worsted; 3 altar frontals, 1 of yellow & green Bruges satin, 1 of dornick, 1 old one of black & red sarsenet; 1 blue &

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Rich Veclys. (?Valeys, vicar choral, occ. 1305-91; Cox, pp. 99, 184, 187, 188.)
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PARTICULARS OF THE VESTRY CHARGES (b)

Lights before the sacrament xl.
Lights in sconces in winter at matins and evensong xl. 6s. 8d.
Lights called Sytes at all masses said within the same church xl. 10s. 8d.
Bread and wine to say mass with yearly xl. 6s. 8d.
Bell ropes and other charges about the bells by year xl.
Washing and repairing the albes and ornaments 13s. 4d.

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dun silk cover for the Lord's table, made of these vestments & these 2 blue damask tunacles; 6 linen cloths for same; 4 towels; 2 silk banner cloths; 2 pair of brass canopies; 1 desk cloth; 1 little old carpet; 1 coverlet; 1 cruet; 1 tin bottle; 1 box for bread; 4 wood candlesticks; 2 stools; 2 forms; 1 table with 2 trestles; 1 pair of organs; 3 great bells (*s*). The following items have been sold and the proceeds used in taking down the altars, paving the floors, putting away the housing of idols & images, setting up the godly scriptures, in reparations of the bells, for a table & forms with furnishing for the same and in other necessaries for the church: 6 tunacles, 1 of red damask, 2 of dun baudekin, 2 of black worsted, 1 of red damask; 2 white damask copes; 6 copes for children; 1 red damask vestment & tunacle; 2 corporals with 6 cases; 1 cross (with) latten staff; 1 silk cloth for the paten. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Geselynge & Nich Jackeson; Rich Stonyland & Edmund Bardell, bailies of the city.

VICARS

	ob. 1502	Rich Leyland
23 June 1502		John Fostar M.A.[54]
7 Dec. 1519	occ. 1529	Reginald Hassop D.D.
29 July 1532		Edw Wygan D.D.
4 Dec. 1534		(Thos?) Byrde D.D.[55]
14 Jan. 1537	res. 1542	Rich Shirley M.A.[56]
2 Ap. 1543 ff.	res. 5 Ap. 1547	John apHarry D.C.L.[57]
18 May 1547 ff.		John Smarte M.A.?[58]
30 May 1547	res. 1548	John Panaden
27 May 1548		Oliver Stonyng B.D.[59]
14 May 1551		Ralph Clayton[60]
(occ. 1553-5		Rich Mason)?[61]
	at Xmas 1559	no vicar[62]
occ. 1569	ob. 10 Sep. 1581	Hugh Hill[63]
1581	res. Sep. 1589	John Bagshaw M.A.[64]
3 Feb. 1589-90	bur. 8 Jan. 1593-4	Wm Smith M.A.[65]
18 Jan. 1593-4	occ. 1604	Geo Paston M.A.[66]
	bur. 1 Ap. 1612	Rowland Merrick[67]
22 Aug. 1612		Anthony Fulshunt M.A.
3 July 1613		Hen Jackson M.A.[68]
5 Nov. 1623	bur. 9 July 1625	Robt Ward[69]
29 Sep. 1625	occ. 1645	James Povy M.A.[70]

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27 May 1548		Oliver Stonyng B.D. **
14 May 1551		Ralph Clayton **
(occ. 1553-5		Rich Mason)? **
	at Xmas 1559?	no vicar **
occ. 1560	ob. 10 Sep. 1581	Hugh Hill **
1581	res. Sep. 1586	John Bagshaw M.A. **
3 Feb. 1586-90	bur. 8 Jan. 1593-4	Wm Smith M.A. **
18 Jan. 1593-4	occ. 1604	Geo Foxton M.A. **
	bur. 1 Ap. 1612	Rowland Merrick **
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29 Sep. 1625	occ. 1645	James Povy M.A. **

29 Sep. 1645	eject. c. 1647	Rich Harrison M.A.[71]
occ. 1649		Francis Tallent M.A.[72]
occ. 1649, 1650		Rich Cleyton M.A.?[73]
occ. 1651, 1654		Wm Langley M.A.[74]
occ. 1651	eject. 1662	John Butler M.A.[75]
c. 1662 restored	bur. 3 Ap. 1676	Rich Harrison M.A.[71]
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THE PRIESTS OF THE GUILD

occ. 1548		Rich Mason M.A.[61]
occ. 1548		Rich Harte M.A.
occ. 1548		Roger Feldhouse[80]
occ. 1548	ob. Nov. 1548	Robt Morley, clerk

S. MICHAEL'S

Ch. Orn., 28 Ap. 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 2 white damask frontals; 10 pillows; 1 brass canopy; 1 black

29 Sep. 1645	elect. c. 1647	Rich Harrison M.A.[71]
occ. 1649		Francis Talbot M.A.[72]
occ. 1649, 1650		Rich Clayton M.A.[73]
occ. 1651, 1654		Wm Langley M.A.[74]
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occ. 1548		Rich Mason M.A.[81]
occ. 1548		Rich Harte M.A.
occ. 1548		Roger Fieldhouse[82]
occ. 1548	ob. Nov. 1548	Robt Morley, clerk

S. MICHAEL'S

Ch. Orn., 28 Ap. 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 2 white damask frontals; 10 pillows; 1 brass censer; 1 black

pall; 8 vestments, 1* black, 1*of white silk, 1 of branched silk, 1* of green silk, 1* of red silk, 1* of dornick, 1* of white dornick, 1 of stained cloth. (Those marked * with all necessaries to the same.) 2 tunacles, 1 of white dornick with 1 albe, 1 of blue silk; 2 cross cloths; 2 copes, 1 of red damask, 1 green; 1 stained cloth; 6 corporals with cases; 16 altar cloths; 1 linen cloth for the rood; 6 towels; 3 banner cloths; 1 streamer; 4 coffers; 4 frontals for 4 altars; 3 bells (*s*); 1 bible in English.

The following items had been sold and the proceeds used in paying for the said bible and book of common prayer, the paraphrases and other reparations of the church, viz:—3 cruets; 1 brass holywater stock; 2 canopies; 1 pair of censers with brass ship; 1 brass cross; 1 corporal with case; 1 towel; 1 altar cloth. **Ch. wds.:** John Joole & John Cartar; Rich Stonyland & Edmund Bardell, bailiffs of the city.

CURATES

occ. 1523		Rich Tatton [8]
	bur. 6 Oct. 1591	Francis Sabey
(occ. 1591-4		James Taylor)? [81]
occ. 1596	bur. 9 July 1632	Wm Maxfield [82]
1632	occ. 1668	Thos Hubbock B.A. [83]

THE PRIEST'S SERVICE

Certified in 1549 to have been endowed by Wm Alen and Joan his wife with land in Lichfield let to Humfrey Ilsley for 12*s.* 0*d.* net p.a. (*e*).

LIGHTS THEREIN

Certified in 1549 that Thos Chaterton by deed dated 22 July 1508 had granted a rent of 12*d.* from a messuage at Fulfen let to Rich Vaughan to maintain 2 tapers of wax to burn before the image of Our Lady and S. Katherine in this church (*e*).

OBITS AND LIGHTS

In 1344 Wm de Walton gave land—stated c. 1549 to be worth 11*l.* 8*s.* 3*d.* net p.a. (*r*)—for a Mass to be said on each 6th of February after his death for the souls of himself, his wife, etc., and also for a waxen light to burn on all Feast Days. [84]

Certified in 1548 that John Atkin had given land worth 4*s.* 8*d.* net p.a. for his obit here (*b, r*).

Certified in 1549 that Maud Atwall had given land in Lichfield let to Humphrey Ilseley, then worth 3*s.* 4*d.* net p.a., by a deed dated 1349 to maintain lights in this church and for a priest to sing Mass for her on every Feast of S. Mark (*e*).

HAMMERWICH CHAPEL

In 1563 this chapel was approp. to the preb. of Freeford and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.[85]

In 1549 it was certified as a chantry, situated 2 miles from its parish church of S. Michael's, Lichfield. It was endowed with a priest's house and croft in Hammerwich, a meadow in Shenstone, and chapel yard worth 6*s.* 8*d.* net p.a., and also possessed a chalice and certain ornaments not then weighed or valued, because the inhabitants of Hammerwich were suitors that they might remain for their ease (*e*).

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 green vestment; 1 corporal with case; 1 altar cloth; 1 pewter cruet; 1 towel; 2 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** Wm Orme and Rich Caterbank.

In 1604 there were many popish here.

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	— Fowler
occ. 1604	a curate[86]
(bur. 6 Aug. 1609	— Jarvice)?[87]
(bur. 15 June 1615	Wm Joans)?[87]
1649-51	no curate[88]
occ. 1652	James Norris[89]

S. CHAD'S CHURCH AT STOWE

Ch. Orn., 28 Ap. 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 corporal with case; 7 altar cloths; 1 stained frontal; 3 vestments with all necessaries, 1 of black & red velvet, 1 of blue dornick, 1 of white bustian; 2 copes, 1 of dun silk, 1 of black silk; 2 towels; 1 bin; 1 great coffer; 2 other coffers; 1 cere cloth; 1 pair of brass candlesticks; 1 pair of cruets; 3 pillows with " beeres " (i.e. cases); 3 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell.

The following items have been sold and the proceeds used in taking down altars and necessary reparations of the church, viz.:—1 veil of white and blue linen cloth; 1 vestment with necessaries; 1 painted cloth; 6 blue painted cloths; 1 latten

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occ. 1652	James Norris[89]

S. CHAD'S CHURCH AT STOWE.

Ch. Orn., 28 Ap. 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 corporal with case; 2 altar cloths; 1 stained frontal; 3 vestments with all necessaries, 1 of black & red velvet, 1 of blue dornick, 1 of white bustian; 2 copes, 1 of dun silk, 1 of black silk; 2 towels; 1 bin; 1 great coffer; 2 other coffers; 1 corse cloth; 1 pair of brass candlesticks; 1 pair of cruets; 3 pillows with "beeres" (i.e. cases); 3 bells (5); 1 sanctus bell.

The following items have been sold and the proceeds used in taking down aisles and necessary reparations of the church, viz.:—1 veil of white and blue linen cloth; 1 vestment with necessaries; 1 painted cloth; 6 blue painted cloths; 1 latten

cross; 1 brass holywater stock; 1 sepulchre of wood; 1 stained cross cloth. **Ch. wds.:** John Gladewyn & Rauf Newbold; Edmund Bardell & Rich Stonyland, bailiffs of the city.

CURATES

occ. 1533		Thos Tatton[18]
occ. 1604		a curate[90]
27 Ap. 1656	eject. 1662	Thos Miles[91]
	bur. 17 Feb. 1669-70	Hugh Braddock[92]
occ. 1673		Hen Smith[93]

CHANTRY

S. KATHERINE'S ALTAR

Certified in 1546-8 that the chantry of Rich Walton had been founded in 1408 by Thos Parker (preb. of Dernford & Colwich) and Robt Boxer vicar (choral), its value was 10*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.* (*a*), 11*l.* 8*s.* 3*d.* (*b, c, r*) net p.a., the priest's salary was 9*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.* (*a*), 10*l.* 18*s.* 3*d.* (*c*), and it possessed 5½ oz. (*a*), 5 oz. (*b*), of partly gilt plate and some ornaments worth 1*s.* 10*d.* (*a, b, c, r*).[94]

INCUMBENT

7 Feb. 1527-8	occ. 1548	Hen Wylshaw[6]

THE PRIEST'S SERVICE

Certified in 1549 that a stock of cattle—then represented by 3 sheep worth 5*s.* 0*d.*—were let out for hire to maintain a priest to sing (mass) for all Christian souls (*e*).

LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that a cottage worth 2*s.* 0*d.* net p.a. had been left to maintain lights and such-like necessaries, as the parishioners thought fit (*e*).

THE HOSPITAL OF S. JOHN THE BAPTIST

This hospital was refounded by Wm Smith, bp of Cov. & Lich. in 1495.[95] In 1546-8 it was certified to the Crown that a stipendiary priest was maintained in the chapel to minister to the poor and others abiding in the hospital and that his salary was 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* net p.a. (*a, b, c, r*). On 19 May 1550 the commis-

cross; 1 brass holywater stock, 1 sepulchre of wood; 1 stained cross cloth. Ch. wds.: John Gladowyn & Raul Newbold, Edmund Bardell & Rich Stonyland, bailiffs of the city.

CURATES

occ. 1533		Thos Tacton[1a]
occ. 1604		a curate[2a]
27 Ap. 1656	elect. 1662	Thos Miles[3a]
	bur. 17 Feb. 1669-70	Hugh Braddock[4a]
occ. 1673		Hen Smith[5a]

CHANTRY

S. KATHERINE'S ALTAR

Certified in 1546-8 that the chantry of Rich Walton had been founded in 1405 by Thos Parker (prob. of Derelford & Colwich) and Robt Boxer vicar (choral), its value was 10l. 7s. 8d. (a), 11l. 8s. 3d. (b, c, r) net p.a., the priest's salary was 6l. 7s. 2d. (a), 10l. 18s. 3d. (c), and it possessed 5½ oz. (a), 5 oz. (b), of partly gilt plate and some ornaments worth 1s. 10d. (a; b, c, r).[6a]

INCUMBENT

7 Feb. 1527-8	occ. 1548	Hen Wylslaw[a]

THE PRIEST'S SERVICE

Certified in 1549 that a stock of cattle—then represented by 3 sheep worth 5s. 0d.—were let out for hire to maintain a priest to sing (mass) for all Christian souls (a).

LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that a cottage worth 2s. 0d. net p.a. had been left to maintain lights and such-like necessaries, as the parishioners thought fit (a).

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sioners ordered that this sum be still paid to maintain a minister to administer the sacraments in this chapel.[96]

INCUMBENT

occ. 1548 Thos Whittell[97]

NOTES

[1] 1563 *return.*

[2] 1604 *return.*

[3] *Harwood*, p. 458.

[4] **Fletcher.** *See* **Rugeley.**

[5] **Aston.** Vic. ch. unidentified 1527, chan. pst. S. Andrew (1527-?), Holy Cross (?-1534). sacrist 1533-5.

[6] **Wylshawe.** Chan. pst. S. Blasius (?-1528), at Stowe (1528-48), received pension from last till 1555 or later, perhaps rector of Farewell, q.v., c. 1548, preb. of Dassett parva 1553-63. The prebendary subscribed in 1559 and is usually identified with a fellow of Qns. and Trin. Coll. Camb., B.A. 1536-7, B.D. 1546-7 (*Venn*), the rector of two Sussex churches (*Simms*).

[7] **Sandland.** Vic. ch. 1533, chan. pst. S. Catherine (1532-48), vic. ch. Tervin (1533-?), Wellington (1533-55?).

[8] **Tatton** (Rich). Curate S. Michael's c. 1523, chan. pst. S. George (1533-48).

[9] **Hervy.** *See* **Caverswall.**

[10] **Crockington,** Crogynton.

[11] **Mervyn**? Wyrvyn?

[12] **Genny,** Jenny. Stipendiary (1533), chan. pst. S. Nicholas (1539-48).

[13] **Rawson.** Vicar of Longdon 1524, of Rugeley 1525.

[14] **Shaw** (Rich). Chan. pst. S. Thomas (?-1531), S. Radegund (1531-8).

[15] **Knott.** Died 1550.

[16] **Norres.** Vic. ch. 1527, chan. pst. S. Thomas (1531-5).

[17] **Katerbanke.** *See* **Leigh.**

[18] **Tatton** (Thos). Curate of Stowe (c. 1533), chan. pst. S. Thomas (1544-5), vicar of Rugeley (1545-58), rector of Colton (1558-72).

[19] **Hylton.** Vic. ch. Offley (1524-?), Ufton decani (1526-31), Statfold (1531-6), the Dean (1535-45); chan. pst. S. Thomas (1545-8); probably preb. of Ryton (1545-60?).

[20] **Sydall.** B.A. 1532, B.Can.L. 1535, D.D. 1552 Oxford; ejected from Cardinal Coll. (i.e. Ch. Ch.) in 1532 by Hen. VIII, but was subsequently employed by him. A zealous protestant under Ed. VI; on 20 July 1548 was ordered to continue to preach God's word at Lich-

sioners ordered that this sum be still paid to maintain a minister to administer the sacraments in this chapel.[1]

INCUMBENT

occ. 1548 Thos Whittell[2]

NOTES

[1] 1563 return.

[2] 1604 return.

[3] Harwood, p. 458.

[4] **Fletcher**. See Rugeley.

[5] **Aston**, Vic. ch. unidentified 1527, chan. pat. S. Andrew (1547-?), Holy Cross (?-1534), sacrist 1533-5.

[6] **Wylshawe**, Chan. pat. S. Blasius (?-1528), at Stowe (1528-48), received pension from last till 1555 or later, perhaps rector of Farewell, q.v., c. 1548, preb. of Dassett parva 1539-63. The prebendary subscribed in 1559 and is usually identified with a fellow of Qu. and Trin. Coll. Camb., B.A. 1536-7, B.D. 1546-7 (Venn), the rector of two Sussex churches (Simms).

[7] **Sandland**, Vic. ch. 1533, chan. pat. S. Catherine (1532-48), vic. ch. Tervin (1533-?), Wellington (1533-55?).

[8] **Tatton** (Rich). Curate S. Michael's c. 1533, chan. pat. S. George (1533-48).

[9] **Hervy**. See Caverswall.

[10] **Crockington**, Cropyton.

[11] **Meryyn**? Wryyyn?

[12] **Genny**, Jenny. Stipendiary (1533), chan. pat. S. Nicholas (1539-48).

[13] **Rawson**. Vicar of Longdon 1524, of Rugeley 1525.

[14] **Shaw** (Rich). Chan. pat. S. Thomas (?-1531), S. Radegund (1531-8).

[15] **Knott**. Died 1550.

[16] **Norres**, Vic. ch. 1527, chan. pat. S. Thomas (1531-5).

[17] **Katerbanke**. See Leigh.

[18] **Tatton** (Thos). Curate of Stowe (c. 1533), chan. pat. S. Thomas (1544-5), vicar of Rugeley (1545-58), rector of Colton (1558-?).

[19] **Hylton**, Vic. ch. Offley (1524-?), Ufton decani (1530-31), Stanfold (1531-6), the Dean (1535-45); chan. pat. S. Thomas (1545-8); probably preb. of Hylton (1545-60?).

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field, an equally zealous conformist under Qn Mary, when he witnessed Cranmer's fifth recantation, and an ardent Anglican under Qn Eliz. He held livings in Cheshire, Essex and Surrey, was preb. of Statfold 1546-7, of Tervin 1547-70 and canon of Ch. Ch. Ox. from 1547 till his death in 1572. (*D. N. B.*, *Foster*, *Simms*, etc.)

[21] **Lewys.** Vic. ch. Longdon (1532-3), Alrewas (1534-?).

[22] **Conycroft.** Vic. ch. Ufton cantoris (1523-4), Bobenhall (1524-31), Hansacre (1531-34?), Alrewas (?-1539).

[23] **Smith.** Vic. ch. Statfold (1537-9), Alrewas (1539-42), succentor (1543-59?); subscribed in 1559; perhaps vicar of Walsall 1568-9.

[24] **Lane.** Vic. ch. Hansacre (1528-31), Freeford (1531-42), Alrewas (1542-58), Sawley 1559; subscribed in 1559. One of this name vic. ch. at Tettenhall 1533.

[25] **Downing** (Robt). Sacrist (1558), vic. ch. Alrewas (1558-?); subscribed 1559 as Thomas vic. ch. of preb. of Alrewas. *See note* 32.

[26] **Audley.** Vic. ch. 1527, Bobenhall (1531-59); subscribed 1559.

[27] **Synd'.** Vic. ch. Statfold (?-1524), Bolton (1524).

[28] **Downam** (Robt). Vic. ch. Bolton (1524-32), Weeford (1532-?).

[29] **Fyggin.** Vic. ch. Bolton (1533), Statfold (1536-7), Ufton cantoris (1537-8).

[30] **Holgreve.** Vic. ch. Bolton (1533-4), Longdon (1534-?).

[31] **Kyrkman.** Lay vic. ch. Curborough (1532-?). One of this name matriculated 1546 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), possibly succentor 1570-3.

[32] **Downham** (Thos). Vic. ch. Eccleshall (1543-5?), Curborough (1545-?). *See note* 25.

[33] **Fox** (Jas). Perhaps had been vic. ch. for Coton, Stafford, q.v., in 1548. Vic. ch. Curborough (?-1557), Statfold (1557-?); subscribed 1559.

[34] **Pyllysworth.** Lay vic. ch. Colwich (1531-?), Tachbrook (1534-?).

[35] **Stele.** Vic. ch. Hansacre (1544-6), the dean (1545-?); succentor (1561-?); subscribed 1559.

[36] **Brymley.** Vic. ch. Freeford (1542-58), Ufton decani (1558-?); subscribed 1559; succentor (1573-?).

[37] **Flemyng.** *See* **Brewood.**

[38] **Whithorne.** Vic. ch. Hansacre (1526-8), Offley (1528-?).

[39] **Dobson.** *See* **Walsall.**

[40] **Parker.** Perhaps chaplain at Brewood nunnery at its dissolution (*Hibbert*, p. 227).

[41] **Colmore,** Colman. Probably vicar of Penn (?-1530). He and Thos Kyrke (*note* 53) are alleged to have arranged for an assault made upon Humphrey Stafford, gentleman, at Swinfen. (*S. H. C.*, 1912, p. 160.)

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21 **Lewys**, Vic. ch. Longdon (1532-3), Alrewas (1534-?).

22 **Conyeroft**. Vic. ch. Tilton cantoris (1523-?), Bobenhall (1524-31), Hansacre (1531-34?), Alrewas (?-1539).

23 **Smith**. Vic. ch. Statfold (1537-9), Alrewas (1539-42), succentor (1543-59?); subscribed in 1559; perhaps vicar of Walsall 1568-9.

24 **Lane**. Vic. ch. Hansacre (1528-31), Freeford (1531-42), Alrewas (1542-58), Sawley 1559; subscribed in 1559. One of this name vic. ch. at Tettenhall 1533.

25 **Fowning** (Robt). Succist (1558?), vic. ch. Alrewas (1558-?); subscribed 1559 as Thomas vic. ch. of preb. of Alrewas. See note 32.

26 **Audley**. Vic. ch. 1527, Bobenhall (1531-59), subscribed 1559.

27 **Synd**. Vic. ch. Statfold (?-1534), Bolton (1534).

28 **Downam** (Robt). Vic. ch. Bolton (1534-32), Wyeford (1532-?).

29 **Fyggin**. Vic. ch. Bolton (1533), Statfold (1536-?). Tilton cantoris (1537-8).

30 **Holgreve**. Vic. ch. Bolton (1533-4), Longdon (1534-?).

31 **Kyrkman**. Lay vic. ch. Curborough (1532-?). One of this name matriculated 1546 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn), possibly succentor 1570-3.

32 **Downham** (Thos). Vic. ch. Ecclesall (1543-52), Curborough (1545-?). See note 25.

33 **Fox** (Jas). Perhaps had been vic. ch. for Coton, Stafford, q.v., in 1546. Vic. ch. Curborough (?-1557), Statfold (1557-?); subscribed 1559.

34 **Pyllysworth**. Lay vic. ch. Colwich (1531-?), Tachbrook (1534-?).

35 **Stele**. Vic. ch. Hansacre (1544-9), the dean (1545-?); succentor (1561-?); subscribed 1559.

36 **Brymley**. Vic. ch. Freeford (1542-58), Tilton decani (1558-?); subscribed 1559; succentor (1573-?).

37 **Flemyng**. See Brewood.

38 **Whitmore**. Vic. ch. Hansacre (1548-8), Offley (1548-?).

39 **Dudson**. See Walsall.

40 **Parker**. Perhaps chaplain at Brewood nunnery at its dissolution (Tibbetts, 227).

41 **Colmore, Colman**. Probably vicar of Penn (?-1539). He and Thos Kyrke (note 23) are alleged to have arranged for an assault made upon Humphrey Stafford, gentleman, at Swinfen (S. W. C., 1912, p. 160.)

[42] **Barker.** Possibly educated at Cambridge (*see Venn*).

[43] **Swift.** *See* **Penn.**

[44] **Adde.** Subscribed 1559. *See* **Grindon.**

[45] **Wilkynson.** Vic. ch. Offley (1538-?), Statfold (1539-?).

[46] **Wylson.** Stipendiary (1534), vic. ch. Offley (1545-?).

[47] **Hunter.** Lay vic. ch. (1527), Prees (1530-?), Wellington (?-1533).

[48] **Howell.** Vic. ch. Ufton decani (1523-6), Statfold (1531).

[49] **Crosse.** Vic. ch. Statfold (1531), Ufton decani (1531-9).

[50] **Waite**? Warte? Subscribed 1559.

[51] **Hyll.** *See* **Longdon.**

[52] **Adams.** Nicholas or Matthew.

[53] **Kyrke.** *See note* 41.

[54] **Fostar.** *Cox*, p. 91. Probably preb. of Bishopshull, ob. c. Sep. 1529.

[55] **Byrde.** Probably—if Thomas—B.A. 1506 Magd. Hall, Ox., M.A. 1511, B.D. and B.C.L. 1520 (*Foster*). Harwood calls him Thomas and S.T.P., but the returns of 1533 and 1535 call him John.

[56] **Shirley.** Preb. of Dernford 1538-47.

[57] **ap Harry.** *See* **Blymhill.**

[58] **Smarte.** Perhaps M.A. 1534 Merton Coll. Ox., vicar of Wallington, Herts., 1554 (*Foster*).

[59] **Stonyng.** M.A. 1517, B.D. 1534 Ox.; preb. of Sandiacre 1546—depr. 1554 (*Harwood*, p. 246); held many preferments outside Staffordshire (*Simms*).

[60] **Clayton.** Probably subscribed 1559 and became vicar of S. Mary's, Stafford, where bur. 1564.

[61] **Mason** (Rich). Guild priest here in 1548, in receipt of a pension of 5*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in 1555, when he is described as "incumbent of the chapel" (*Harwood*, pp. 455; cf. 14); a pension of 16*s.* 2*d.* to a man of this name is mentioned in *q*; a clerk of this name died 1559 at Rolleston, q.v.

[62] Vicarage vacant Xmas 1559, no payment made for subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 (19-506, 507; cf. 18-505).

[63] **Hill.** Preb. of Longdon 1568-81.

[64] **Bagshaw.** M.A. doctus et praedicator publicus; son of Geo Bagshaw, bailiff and innholder of Lichfield (*Simms*); preb. of Gaia major 1569-90, of Colwich 1590-1605; perhaps M.A. 1572 Ch. Ch. Ox.; rector of Barlborough, co. Derby, 1584, of Whittington, co. Salop, 1585, of Oswestry 1591 (*Foster*).

[65] **Smith** (Wm). M.A., doctus et praedicator publicus, ordained priest by Wm, bp of Lincoln (1584-95). Perhaps scholar of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.A. 1575-6, M.A. 1579 (*Venn*).

43 **Barker.** Possibly educated at Cambridge (see Venn).

43 **Swift.** See Penn.

44 **Adde.** Subscribed 1559. See Grindon.

45 **Willkynson.** Vic. ch. Offley (1538-?), Stafford (1570-?).

46 **Wylson.** Stipendiary (1534), vic. ch. Offley (1545-?).

47 **Hunter.** Lay vic. ch. (1527), Press (1530-?), Wellington (?-1533).

48 **Howell.** Vic. ch. Upton deceani (1521-?), Stafford (1531).

49 **Crosse.** Vic. ch. Stafford (1531), Upton deceani (1531-?).

50 **Walter.** Water? Subscribed 1559.

51 **Hyll.** See Longdon.

52 **Adams.** Nicholas or Matthew.

53 **Kyrke.** See note 41.

54 **Foster.** Cox, p. 91. Probably preb. of Bishopshull, ob. c. Sept. 1529.

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56 **Shirley.** Preb. of Darnford 1538-47.

57 **ap Harry.** See Blymhill.

58 **Smarte.** Perhaps M.A. 1534 Merton Coll. Ox., vicar of Walthington, Herts., 1554 (Foster).

59 **Stonyng.** M.A. 1517, B.D. 1534 Ox.; preb. of Sandiacre 1546—deprr. 1554 (Harwood, p. 246); held many preferments outside Staffordshire (Simms).

60 **Clayton.** Probably subscribed 1559 and became vicar of S. Mary's, Stafford, where bur. 1594.

61 **Masson** (Nicn). Guild priest here in 1548; in receipt of a pension of 5l. 13s. 4d. in 1555, when he is described as "incumbent of the chapel" (Harwood, pp. 455; cl. 14); a pension of 10s. 2d. to a man of this name is mentioned in 9; a clerk of this name died 1559 at Ipleston, q.v.

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[66] **Paston.** *See* **Drayton Bassett** *and page* 152.

[67] **Merrick.** Buried in cathedral (*Harwood*, p. 458).

[68] **Jackson.** M.A. 1604 S. John's Coll. Ox., a commoner from co. Stafford (*Foster*); vicar of Dudley c. 1610 (*Mander*, p. 68); preb. of Wolvey 1622-6.

[69] **Ward.** There are two possible Cambridge graduates of this name, one D.D. 1609, the other B.D. 1623 (*Venn*).

[70] **Povy.** M.A. 1595 Trin. Coll. Ox. (*Foster*); preb. of Bishopshull from 1637 till ejected 1642 (*Walker*).

[71] **Harrison.** Son of Rich Harrison of Minshull Vernon, Chesh.; M.A. 1632 Brasenose Coll. Ox., incorporated 1633 at Camb. (*Foster*). It is uncertain how long he remained vicar here, but in 1650 he was acting as curate at Tettenhall and in 1652 became vicar there. On 13 Ap. 1655 the inhabitants of Tettenhall petitioned the Council of State for the removal of Harrison from the ministry there and stated that he had been articled against for malignancy at Lichfield after its reduction on 10 July 1646; and that he had not been approved by the commissioners on 24 Nov. 1654, notwithstanding which the malignants of Tettenhall had kept him in possession of the cure which he had served for 5 years (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* XCVI, 30). The petitioners succeeded in getting him removed, but in August 1658 he obtained the rectory of Blithfield, q.v. In 1660 he was made chancellor of Lichfield and soon after was restored to the vicarage of S. Mary's, in which church he was buried.

[72] **Tallent,** Tallents. Matriculated 1637 Peterhouse Coll. Camb., M.A. 1645 (*Venn*); fellow of Magdalene Coll. Camb.; received presbyterian ordination in 1648. About 1648 he and Cleyton were appointed joint ministers for this city by the committee for plundered ministers and in 1649 they were both in receipt of the 150*l.* salary. (*Shaw*, II, p. 543; cf. *Sion MS.*, p. 493.) He became curate of S. Mary's, Shrewsbury, in 1653, whence ejected in 1662; confined in Chester castle in 1685 after Monmouth's rebellion; in 1686 he presented a purse of gold to James II in recognition of the indulgence. Author of sermons and controversial religious works (*D. N. B.*).

[73] **Cleyton.** *See* **Seighford** *and preceding note.* For the year ending Michaelmas 1650 he received a stipend from the Exchequer of 11*l.* 1*s.* 5*d.* as minister here by virtue of a warrant dated 20 June 1548 (*Fee Farm*, no. 114). This stipend was regularly paid from 1548 till 1650, when the revenue was sold (*ibid.*).

[74] **Langley** and Butler succeeded Tallent and Cleyton as joint ministers of Lichfield with the same salary. The committee (for the reformation of the universities?) first ordered them to receive it on 6 Aug. 1651, having received a good certificate of their piety and fitness. (*Sion MS.*, pp. 494, 496.) Further orders to pay this salary

[65] **Paston.** See Drayton Bassett and page 152.

[66] **Marrick.** Buried in cathedral (*Harwood*, p. 454).

[67] **Jackson,** M.A. 1604, S. John's Coll. Ox., a commoner from co. Stafford (*Foster*); vicar of Dudley c. 1610 (*Manby*, p. 68); preb. of Wolvey 1622-6.

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[72] **Clayton.** See Seighford and preceding note. For the year ending Michaelmas 1650 he received a stipend from the Exchequer of 111*l.* 1*s.* 5*d.* as minister here by virtue of a warrant dated 20 June 1648 (*Rec. Rem.* no. 1144). This stipend was regularly paid from 1648 till 1650, when the revenue was sold (*ibid.*).

[73] **Langley** and Butler succeeded Tallent and Clayton as joint ministers of Lichfield with the same salary. The committee (for the reformation of the universities) first ordered them to receive it on 6 Aug. 1651, having received a good certificate of their piety and fitness (*Sion MS.*, pp. 404, 406). Further orders to pay this salary

to them are recorded in *Lamb. MS.* 976, pp. 324, 518. On 3 March 1653-4 the trustees suspended Langley's salary in consequence of an order to that effect made by the Lord Protector and the Council of State at Whitehall (*Lamb. MSS.* 966, p. 2; 975, p. 353; *S. P. Dom. Inter.* LXVII, 17, no. 24), and despite his petition in 1655 (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* XCVII, 109, nos. 324, 325) no further augmentation seems to have been paid to him. In 1658 the trustees made a further enquiry about him, and on 1 June 1658 directed that as he had been approved by the commissioners their order of 3 Mar. 1653-4 should not prevent his preaching elsewhere than in Lichfield, if the trustees should find him duly qualified according to Act of Parliament. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* CLXXXI, 53, no. 19, and 66, no. 12.) Walker says that he was sequestered because he preached on Christmas day and administered the sacrament according to the Common Prayer Book. He was previously at Ellastone, q.v., and Cheadle, q.v. For an account of his life and writings *see Simms*. For his successor here *see* **S. Chad's, Lichfield.** Langley is said to have become minister at Wellington (Salop) and vicar of Stoke-upon-Tern (Salop) in 1666 (*Foster*).

[75] **Butler.** (*See note* 74.) Son of Wm Butler of Oddington, Glouc.; born c. 1621; B.A. 1641 Edmund Hall, Ox.; M.A. 1648 University Coll. Ox. (*Foster*); appointed an assistant to the commissioners for the removal of scandalous ministers 1654; frequently certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry 1658-9 (*Lamb. MS.* 999); in receipt of the 150*l.* augmentation till his ejectment in 1662 (*Lamb. MSS.* 981, p. 20; 994, p. 142, etc.). Langley discovered that he was not in orders and thereupon refused to work with him (*Walker*). *See Calamy*.

[76] **Sympson.** *See* **Alrewas.**

[77] *S. H. C.*, X, n.s., pt. ii, pp. 134, 138, 152.

[78] *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 258, p. 24.

[79] *Harwood*, pp. 14, 455.

[80] **Feldhouse.** Subscribed in 1559; his pension is mentioned in *q*.

[81] **Taylor.** Payments were made to "Mr Taylor curate" in 1591 and to "Sir James the priest" in 1594 (*Harwood*, p. 527). A Worcestershire commoner of this name matriculated at S. John's Coll. in 1575, aged 21 (*Foster*).

[82] **Maxfield.** *See* **Newborough** *and page* 152.

[83] **Hubbock.** Ordained deacon as student on 13 June 1624 and priest as B.A. on 24 Sep. 1625. It is not known whether he acted as curate during the Interregnum, but children were baptized throughout this period and he was certainly here in 1650 and 1651 when he was paid by the churchwardens for doing some accounts. In 1654 Mr Smith was paid 7*s.* 0*d.* for a sermon.

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[75] **Sympson.** See Alrewas.

[76] *S. H. C.*, N.s., pt. ii, pp. 124, 128, 132.

[77] *Ang. Mis.* III, 238, p. 24.

[78] *Harwood*, pp. 24, 455.

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[81] **Mayfield.** See Newborough and page 152.

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[84] *Harwood*, p. 515.

[85] The impropriate tithes of the town of Hammerwich, part of the prebend of Freeford, were leased on 31 Mar. 1642. (*Roy. Comp.*, 1st ser., vol. III, p. 907.)

[86] **Curate.** Not named, no preacher, stipend 3*l.* (1604 *return*).

[87] **Jarvice** and **Joans**. Both buried as "ministers" at S. Michael's; probably both were curates here.

[88] No curate these two years (1651-2 *return*).

[89] **Norris.** Possibly B.A. 1632-3 Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). On 22 Oct. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted an augmentation to this chapel of 40*l.* p.a. from these tithes sequestered from Edw Latham, and on 24 Nov. 1652 this committee ordered it to be paid to Norris. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, p. 243; F 2, pt. II, p. 643.)

[90] **Curate.** *See page* 152,

[91] **Miles.** *See* **Onecote.** Approved by the commissioners as curate here 27 Aug. 1656 (*Lamb. MS.* 968, p. 51); succeeded Langley as curate at S. Chad's (*Lamb. MS.* 994, p. 142); probably in 1655 (*Lamb. MS.* 981, p. 21); received augmentation of 49*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.* or 80*l.* (*loc. cit.*; cf. *Shaw*, II, p. 505); ejected (*Calamy*).

[92] **Braddock.** Ordained both deacon and priest on 26 July 1663 and described as a vicar choral of Lichfield (*Dioc. Reg.*).

[93] **Smith.** One of this name from Emman. Coll. Camb. was ordained deacon 27 Sep. 1663 and priest 20 Dec. 1663 (*Dioc. Reg.*).

[94] *Cox*, p. 99.

[95] A full account of the history of this hospital is given in Harwood's *Lichfield*, p. 537 *et seq.*, with a list of the masters.

[96] *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 105, p. 132.

[97] **Whittell.** *See* **Stafford** vicars choral.

LONGDON

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, approp. to the preb. of Longdon and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 2 partly gilt chalices with patens; 2 gilt copper crosses; 3 copes, 1 of velvet, 2 of silk; 8 vestments with their albes, 3 of silk, 5 of Bruges satin and dornick; 4 silk tunacles; 1 "tewke" canopy; 2 silk frontals; 3 cross cloths, 2 of sarsenet, 1 of "tewke"; 3 banner cloths, 1 of sarsenet, 2 of linen cloth; 1 copper censer; 4 corporals with cases; 4 bells; 1 sanctus bell. Another chalice had been stolen by some unknown person.

In 1604 there were some recusants here.

[85] Harwood, p. 515.

[86] The impropriate tithes of the town of Hammerwich, part of the prebend of Freefield, were leased on 31 Mar. 1842. (Ney. Comp. rat ser., vol. iii, p. 207.)

[87] Curate. Not named, no preacher, stipend 3l. (1604 return).

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[90] Curate. See page 152.

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[92] Bradduck. Ordained both deacon and priest on 26 July 1663 and described as a vicar choral of Lichfield (Dioc. Reg.).

[93] Smith. One of this name from Emmanu. Coll. Camb. was ordained deacon 27 Sep. 1663 and priest 20 Dec. 1663 (Dioc. Reg.).

[94] Cox, p. 99.

[95] A full account of the history of this hospital is given in Harwood's Lichfield, p. 237 et seq., with a list of the masters.

[96] Alug. MS. 88. 105, p. 132.

[97] Whittell. See Stafford vicars choral.

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In 1604 there were some recusants here.

Patrons: 1554 Wm Paget (*S. H. C.*, XII, p. 194), 1561 the prebendary, 1577 Thos lord Paget, 1604 the dean and chapter or Mr Paget.

VICARS

2 May 1508	res. 1524	John Deane
4 Ap. 1524	res. 1524	Robt Rawson [1]
6 Sep. 1524	res. 1526	Wm Hill B.L. [2]
2 May 1526	res. c. 1526	Thos Wilson [3]
22 Feb. 1526-7	w.p. 1560	Rich Grene [4]
	on 1 Jan. 1560-1	no vicar [5]
24 Mar. 1560-1	(ob. 1577?)	Geoffrey Fowler [6]
5 July 1577		Leonard Davies
occ. 1593		Thos Penton [7]
(7 July 1595		John Price M.A.)? [8]
22 Aug. 1595		Rich Roberts [9]
10 (*torn*) 1601		Jeremiah Williams [10]
1626		John Machon [11]
	seq. 4 Mar 1646-7	Hugh Humphreys M.A. [12]
occ. 1651-2—59		Nathaniel Mott M.A. [13]
(rest. 1661)?	ob. 1693	Hugh Humphreys M.A. [12]

CURATE

occ. 1564	John Freyre [14]

THE HOLY TRINITY CHANTRY

Founded in 1520 by John Stonywell, then prior of the cell of Tynemouth, afterwards titular bishop of Pulati in Albania and abbot of Pershore, co. Worc., and after its dissolution pensionary of that monastery till his death in 1553. In a letter written in 1546 [15] he states that by his instruction 300*l.* had been invested in lands in Longdon, Lichfield, Ediall, Woodhouses, Barr, and Huntingdon (*Cannock*), the rents of which were to pay the salary of a priest, who was to say mass and other service for his soul. He further states that Morres in order "to make himself a perpetuity" had bound the lands to payment of first fruits as a chantry, whereupon he had had him ejected from the service.

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4 Ap. 1524	res. 1534	Robt Rawson[1]
6 Sep. 1534	res. 1536	Wm Hill B.L.[2]
2 May 1536	res. c. 1556	Thos Wilson[3]
22 Feb. 1556–7	w.p. 1560	Rich Crane[4]
	on 1 Jan. 1560–1	no vicar[5]
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5 July 1577		Leonard Davies
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22 Aug. 1595		Rich Roberts[9]
10 (form) 1601		Jeremiah Williams[10]
1620		John Machon[11]
	sed. 4 Mar. 1646–7	Hugh Humphreys M.A.[12]
	occ. 1651–2—59	Nathaniel Mott M.A.[13]
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dirge and commendations once a week in the Holy Trinity chapel within the church. The priest's salary is given as 7*l.* os. 6½*d.* (*a*) and 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (*b*). In 1546-8 the lands were worth 7*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.* net p.a. (*a, b, c, r*), the balance being spent upon an obit and other deeds and alms at the discretion of the trustees of the chantry and the vicar. There was also the priest's mansion house, worth 1*s.* 4*d.* p.a., no plate or jewels, but the following ornaments, viz.:—2 vestments, 1 tawney velvet & 1 white fustian; 1 missal; 1 sacring bell; 2 tin cruets; 2 Bruges satin hanging cloths before the altar. Also 1 coffer kept by the founder, John Stonywell (*a, b, r*).

INCUMBENTS

1520	occ. 1535	John Morres [16]
15 June 1544 ff.		Wm Caterbank (*b*) [17]
7 Dec. 1545 ff.		Elizeus Dugdale
	in June 1548	no incumbent (*c*)

NOTES

[1] **Rawson.** *See* **Lichfield,** *page* 158.

[2] **Hill.** Perhaps curate of Armitage in 1533, preb. of Wolvey (Ap.-June 1530), of Weeford (1530-60?), of Chyltrenhall, Gnosall (c. 1535-48), rector of Stoke-upon-Tern 1548 and archd. of Salop (1557-60?).

[3] **Wilson.** *See* **Abbots Bromley.**

[4] **Grene.** His will is missing.

[5] *Subsidy* 19-509.

[6] **Fowler** or some other vicar died c. 1577, as this vicarage was vacant by the death of the incumbent when Davies was instituted.

[7] **Penton.** Scholaris ruralis et mediocriter doctus. *See* **Norton Canes.**

[8] **Price.** Probably fellow of Cath. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1569 (*Venn*). Preb. of Ryton 1622-3, presented to this vicarage by the Crown (*Lans. MS.* 443, p. 20), probably never instituted.

[9] **Roberts.** One of this name matriculated 1582 Trin. Coll. Ox., aged 16, as a Staffordshire commoner (*Foster*). Another matriculated 1588 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[10] **Williams.** Not mentioned by name in 1604 return, when an unnamed vicar was a preacher, who seldom preached and a worldling. Vicarage worth 30*l.* in 1604.

[11] **Machon.** For his appointment here *see Cox*, p. 48. Probably a son of the vicar of Rugeley, q.v., born 1603; M.A. 1626 Magd. Hall, Ox.; preb. of Wellington 1631-71?; master of S. John's Hospital,

dirge and commendations once a week in the Holy Trinity chapel within the church. The priest's salary is given as 7l. 0s. 6½d. (a) and 6l. 13s. 4d. (b). In 1546-8 the lands were worth 7l. 8s. 9d. net p.a. (a, b, c, r), the balance being spent upon an obit and other deeds and alms at the discretion of the trustees of the chantry and the vicar. There was also the priest's mansion house, worth 1s. 4d. p.a., no plate or jewels, but the following ornaments, viz.—2 vestments, 1 tawney velvet & 1 white fustian; 1 missal; 1 sacring bell; 2 tin crusts; 2 Bruges satin hanging cloths before the altar. Also 1 coffer kept by the founder, John Stonywell (a, b, c).

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1520	occ. 1535	John Morris[1a]
15 June 1544 ff.		Wm Caterbank (b)[1b]
7 Dec. 1545 ff.		Eliseus Tugdale
in June 1548		no incumbent (c)

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[1] Rawson. See Lichfield, page 158.

[2] Hill. Perhaps curate of Ardudge in 1533, preb. of Welvey (Ap.-June 1536), of Wenford (1539-50), of Chyttenhall, Cornwall (c. 1535-48), rector of Stoke-upon-Tern 1548 and archd. of Salop (1557-60).

[3] Wilson. See Abbots Bromley.

[4] Grene. His will is missing.

[5] Sudsbiy 19-500.

[6] Fowler or some other vicar died c. 1577, as this vicarage was vacant by the death of the incumbent when Davies was instituted.

[7] Penton. Scholaris magister medicinae doctus. See Norton Canes.

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[11] Machon. For his appointment here see Cannock, 4a. Probably a son of the vicar of Rugeley, q.v., born 1603: M.A. 1630 Magd. Hall, Ox.; preb. of Wellington 1631-71; master of S. John's Hospital,

Lichfield, 1630-71? ; vicar of Hartburn, Northum., 1632-71 ; died in 1679. In 1654 he was appointed an assistant to the commissioners for the removal of scandalous ministers. (*D. N. B.*, *Harwood*, p. 253.)

[12] **Humphreys,** Humphries. Probably B.A. 1630-1 Ch. Ch. Ox., M.A. 1634 Trin. Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). On 2 Nov. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers instructed the committee of parliament for co. Stafford to examine into certain charges that had been made against Humphreys. On 4 Mar. 1646-7 the first named committee found that Humphreys had not appeared to answer these charges, that he had deserted his cure, betaken himself to the forces raised against parliament, frequented their garrisons and had been in actual arms against parliament, so it sequestered the vicarage from him to the use of some godly and orthodox minister. (*Bod. MS.* 324, pp. 13, 17, 343.) No subsidy was paid for this vicarage in Jan. 1661-2. Humphreys was certainly restored before 1665, as he paid a tax on 4 hearths in that year as vicar here. Rector of Drayton Bassett 1662-73, preb. of Flixton 1661-93.

[13] **Mott.** Son of Hen Mott of Lichfield; fellow of University Coll. Ox. in 1649; M.A. 1652 (*Foster*); married at Stafford 24 Nov. 1653 Mary, dau. of Walter Aberley of Admaston; certified the fitness of many candidates for the ministry in 1658-9 (*Lamb. MS.* 999); became vicar of Abbots Bromley c. 1660; paid subsidy of 10*s.* as vicar there Jan. 1661-2; resigned that vicarage to former incumbent in 1662; conformed; ordained both deacon and priest 21 Dec. 1662; again vicar of Abbots Bromley 1665-8; vicar of Lapley from 1668. On 1 Nov. 1648 the committee for plundered ministers found that this vicarage was but worth 40*l.* p.a. and granted an augmentation of 16*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* thereto from the impropriate tithes of Longdon that were reserved to the prebendary. (*Bod. MS.* 325, p. 278.) On 31 Mar. 1652 the committee for the reformation of the universities found that this vicarage was but worth 55*l.* (*sic*) p.a. and ordered that Mott should receive the aforenamed augmentation, which seems to have been paid to him until he left. (*Sion MS.*, p. 499; *Lamb. MSS.* 973, p. 676; 981, p. 20; 994, p. 142.)

[14] **Freyre.** Paid a subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* as curate in 1564 (19-515).

[15] *S. P. Dom. Hen. VIII*, vol. CMXLVII.

[16] **Morres.** *See* **Wichnor chapel.**

[17] **Caterbank.** *See* **Leigh.**

MADELEY

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D., formerly approp. to Stone Priory.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 copes,

Lichfield, 1630-71; vicar of Hartburn, Northum., 1632-71; died in 1679. In 1651 he was appointed an assistant to the commissioners for the removal of scandalous ministers. (D. N. B., Harwood, p. 252.)

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[13] **Matt**, Son of Hen. Matt of Lichfield; fellow of University Coll. Ox. in 1640; M.A. 1652 (Foster); married at Stafford 24 Nov. 1653 Mary, dau. of Walter Aberley of Ashmaston; certified the fitness of many candidates for the ministry in 1658-9 (Lamb. MS. 999); became vicar of Abbots Bromley c. 1660; paid subsidy of 10s. as vicar there Jan. 1661-2; resigned that vicarage to former incumbent in 1662; conformed; ordained both deacon and priest 21 Dec. 1662; again vicar of Abbots Bromley 1665-8; vicar of Lapley from 1668. On 1 Nov. 1648 the committee for plundered ministers found that this vicarage was but worth 40l. p.a. and granted an augmentation of 10l. 10s. 8d. thereto from the impropriate tithes of Longdon that were reserved to the prebendary. (Bod. MS. 325, p. 275.) On 31 Mar. 1652 the committee for the reformation of the universities found that this vicarage was but worth 55l. (sic) p.a. and ordered that Matt should receive the aforenamed augmentation, which seems to have been paid to him until he left. (Sam. MS. p. 499; Lamb. MS. 972, p. 676; 981, p. 20; 994, p. 142.)

[14] **Freyre**. Paid a subsidy of 5s. 8d. as curate in 1564 (10-5145).

[15] S. P. Dom. Eliz. VIII. vol. cxxxvii.

[16] **Morres**. See Wichnor chapel.

[17] **Caterbank**. See Leigh.

MADELEY

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D., formerly approp. to Stone Priory.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 copes,

1 of red Bruges satin, 1 of divers colours; 3 altar cloths; 3 vestments, 1 of red camlet with all things to it, 1 of divers colours, 1 of checked colours with albe & amice; 1 pewter cruet; 1 brass censer; 1 glass pax; 1 gilt copper cross; 3 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 1 corporal with case; 1 brass pyx in the keeping of the vicar. **Ch. wds.:** Robt Browne & Rich Blowar.

Patrons: 1547 Sir Thos Offley kt (*S. H. C.*, XII, p. 199), same in 1557, 1567, 1575; 1664 Mary Offley wid.

VICARS

	w.p. 12 Feb. 1532-3	John Wright [1]
occ. 1535	res. 1557	Hen Elkin [2]
10 Oct. 1557	depr. 1567	Ralph Hales [3]
22 Dec. 1567	res. 1575	Hum Steele
14 Oct. 1575		James Austyn
1 Ap. 1589	occ. 1604	Robt Morris [4]
31 May 1613	?res. 1635	Nath Royle M.A.? [5]
14 Oct. 1635	res. 1648	John Jackson B.A.? [6]
occ. 1651		Mich Richards [7]
occ. 1651-2		Daniel Witter [8]
6 June 1664	occ. 1672	Wm Lownes B.A. [9]
occ. 1693	bur. 30 Oct. 1702	Chas Shaw [10]
1702		Thos Jenkinson

PRIESTS

occ. 1533	Rich Ingeson [11]
occ. 1533	Thos Wylkynson [12]

S. KATHERINE'S LIGHT

Certified in 1549 that 2 kine worth 26*s.* 8*d.* had been given to find a light before the image of S. Katherine in the parish church (*e*).

Discovered in 1552 that these two kine were in the hands of Hugh Rathbone. They were then said to belong to S. Katherine's priest (*h, m*).

ONNELEY CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 return. Forsett reported on 5 June 1549 that this chapel was 2 miles distant from the parish church and was no chapel of ease, but a pilgrimage chapel and so used until pilgrimages ceased, and that no lands or tenements had ever belonged to this chapel to find a priest there. [13]

1 of red Bruges satin, 1 of divers colours; 3 altar cloths; 3 vestments, 1 of red camlet with all things to it, 1 of divers colours, 1 of checked colours with albe & amice; 1 pewter cruet; 1 brass censer; 1 glass pax; 1 gilt copper cross; 3 bells (s); 1 sanctus bell; 1 corporal with case; 1 brass pyx in the keeping of the vicar. Ch. wds.: Robt Browne & Rich Howard.

Patrons: 1547 Sir Thos Offley kt (S. H. C., xii, p. 199), same in 1557, 1567, 1575; 1664 Mary Offley wid.

VICARS

		w.p. 12 Feb. 1532-3 John Wright[a]
occ. 1535	res. 1557	Ben Elkin[a]
10 Oct. 1557	depr. 1567	Ralph Hales[a]
22 Dec. 1567	res. 1575	Hum Steele
14 Oct. 1575		James Austyn
1 Ap. 1580	occ. 1604	Robt Morris[a]
31 May 1613	pres. 1635	Nath Royle M.A.?[a]
14 Oct. 1635	res. 1640	John Jackson B.A.?[a]
occ. 1651		Mich Richards[b]
occ. 1651-2		Daniel Witter[a]
6 June 1664	occ. 1672	Wm Lowndes B.A.[a]
occ. 1693	bur. 30 Oct. 1702	Chas Shaw[a]
1702		Thos Jenkinson

PRIESTS

occ. 1533	Rich Ingesson[11]
occ. 1533	Thos Wylkynson[12]

S. KATHERINE'S LIGHT

Certified in 1549 that a kine worth 26s. 8d. had been given to find a light before the imagegof S. Katherine in the parish church (q).

Discovered in 1552 that these two kine were in the hands of Hugh Rathbone. They were then said to belong to S. Katherine's priest (k, m).

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NOTES

[1] **Wright.** Paid tax of 8*s.* in 1533.

[2] **Elkin.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as curate at Stone in 1533.

[3] **Hales.** This vicarage is returned as vacant in 1559 and 1560 (*Subsidies* 19-507, 509), possibly because Hales would not subscribe or pay a subsidy as vicar, though his actual deprivation did not take place until 1567. (*Dioc. Reg.*; *Gee*, p. 289.)

[4] **Morris,** Morrice. Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris bene exercitatus. No preacher, no degree (1602 *return*), very ignorant, a weaver (1604 *return*), ordained priest by Wm Overton 3 Ap. 1587. Vicar's tithes valued at 9*l.* (1602), at 10*l.* (1604).

[5] **Royle,** Royly. Probably matriculated 1604 Trin. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1613 Clare Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), rector of Mucklestone from 1635.

[6] **Jackson.** Probably ordained priest as B.A. 19 Sep. 1630. Signed testimony 1648, petitioned the committee for plundered ministers for an augmentation in Sep. 1646, whereupon the committee of parliament for co. Stafford was ordered to certify the value of this living (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 358); became vicar of Lapley, q.v., in 1648.

[7] **Richards.** Perhaps matriculated 1639 New Inn Hall, Ox., son of Rich Richards of Wem?, Salop (*Foster*). Described as minister of Madeley, Salop (*Compounding*, p. 2232). Another of this name M.A. 1640 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[8] **Witter.** Mentioned as minister in the winter of 1651-2 (1651-2 *return*).

[9] **Lownes.** B.A. 1658-9 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), curate at Stoke-on-Trent in June 1661, ordained deacon 21 Aug. 1662, priest 29 July 1664.

[10] **Shaw.** *See* **Ashley.**

[11] **Ingeson.** Paid tax of 4*s.* 5¼*d.* as curate or chaplain here in 1533.

[12] **Wylkynson.** Paid same as Ingeson. *See* **Audley.**

[13] *T. R. Mis. Bk.* 259, p. 231.

MAER

Omitted from the 1563 return. The church had been approp. to the Priory of S. Thomas the Martyr by Stafford.[1]

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 bells (*s*); 1 small bell (*s*); 1 cope; 2 vestments with ornaments; 2 surplices; 2 altar cloths; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 1 maslyn cross; 1 pyx; 1 maslyn censer; 1 pewter cruet; 1 brass bucket; 1 corporal. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Piken & Thos Butterton.

NOTES

[1] **Wright.** Paid tax of 8s. in 1533.

[2] **Elkin.** Paid tax of 5s. 4d. as curate at Stone in 1533.

[3] **Hales.** This vicarage is returned as vacant in 1559 and 1560 (Subsidies 19-507, 509), possibly because Hales would not subscribe or pay a subsidy as vicar, though his actual deprivation did not take place until 1567. (Dioc. Reg.; See, p. 220.)

[4] **Morris, Morrice.** Scholaris rusticus, in sacris litteris bene exercitatus. No preacher, no degree (1562 values), very ignorant, a weaver (1564 returns), ordained priest by Wm Overton 3 Ap. 1557. Vicar's tithes valued at 9l. (1562), at 10l. (1564).

[5] **Royle, Roylye.** Probably matriculated 1564 Tim. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1573 Clare Coll. Camb. (Venn), rector of Madeleine from 1575.

[6] **Jackson.** Probably ordained priest as B.A. 19 Sep. 1570. Signed testimony 1585, petitioned the committee for plundered ministers for an augmentation in Sep. 1646, whereupon the committee of parliament for co. Stafford was ordered to certify the value of this living (Bod. MS. 313, p. 353); became vicar of Lapley, q.v., in 1648.

[7] **Richards.** Perhaps matriculated 1619 New Inn Hall, Ox., son of Rich. Richards of Wem, Salop (Foster). Described as minister of Madeley, Salop (Compounding, p. 2222). Another of this name M.A. 1610 Trin. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[8] **Witter.** Mentioned as minister in the winter of 1597-8 (1597-8 returns).

[9] **Lowness.** B.A. 1598-9 Jesus Coll. Camb. (Venn), curate at Stoke-on-Trent in June 1601; ordained deacon 21 Aug. 1602, priest 29 July 1604.

[10] **Shaw.** See Ashley.

[11] **Ingesson.** Paid tax of 4s. 8½d. as curate or chaplain here in 1533.

[12] **Wylkynson.** Paid same as Ingesson. See Audley.

[13] T. R. Mir. BA. 250, p. 232.

MAPER

Omitted from the 1563 return. The church had been appropr. to the Priory of S. Thomas the Martyr by Stafford.[1]

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 bells (s); 1 small bell (s); 1 cope; 2 vestments with ornaments; 2 surplices; 2 alter cloths; 2 masslyn candlesticks; 1 masslyn cross; 1 pyx; 1 masslyn censer; 1 pewter cruet; 1 brass bucket; 1 corporal. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Piken & Thos Butterton.

CURATE

occ. 1533 Thos Hall[2]

RECTORS

(occ. 1539)? w.p. 9 Jan. 1557-8 John Beche[3]
w.p. 16 Feb. 1568-9 John Beche[4]

CURATES

occ. 1569-1606		John Huntbach[5]
occ. 1606-7		Thos Goodwin[6]
occ. 1607-9		Thos Wood[7]
occ. 1609		Ralph Heywood
occ. 1610-14		Gilbert Gallamore[8]
occ. 1614-5		Thos Cope[9]
occ. 1615-22		Robt Tomlynson B.A.[10]
occ. 1622		Wm Bourne[11]
occ. 1622	bur. 22 Dec. 1642	Ralph Hodgkin[12]
occ. 1643	bur. 23 Mar. 1653-4	Robt Marchenton[13]
occ. 1654-61		Wm Dicken[14]
occ. 1661	eject. 1662	Ralph Hall[15]
occ. 1662-4		John Poynter
occ. 1664-81		Mathias Hill M.A.?[16]

THE BEADROLL

Certified in 1548 that Agnes Averell and Henry Lord had each given a yearly rent of 6*d.*, to be prayed for by the curate in the beadroll every Sunday in the church for ever (*b*, *r*).

NOTES

[1] *S. H. C.*, VIII, n.s., p. 93. Yet from 1358 to 1417 the advowson did not belong to the priory (*S. H. C.*, XI, pp. 170, 206, 226).

[2] **Hall.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as curate in 1533. All the incumbents are described as curates or ministers except the two Beches, the first of whom describes himself in his will as " parson " (i.e. rector) of M. and the second as " rector " of M.

[3] **Beche** (sen.). Possibly curate of Ellenhall 1533 and of Chapel Chorlton chapel 1553. A priest of this name is mentioned in the will of John Beche of Wolstanton, pr. 1539.

[4] **Beche** (jun.). Subscribed in 1559, possibly chaplain at Kings Bromley 1542.

CURATE

occ. 1533	Thos Hall[a]

RECTORS

(occ. 1539)?	w.p. 9 Jan. 1557-8 John Beche[a]
	w.p. 16 Feb. 1568-9 John Beche[b]

CURATES

occ. 1569-1606		John Hautbuch[a]
occ. 1606-7		Thos Goodwin[a]
occ. 1607-9		Thos Wood[a]
occ. 1609		Ralph Heywood
occ. 1610-14		Gilbert Gallamore[a]
occ. 1614-5		Thos Cope[a]
occ. 1615-22		Robt Temlynson B.A.[10]
occ. 1622		Wm Bourne[11]
occ. 1622	bur. 22 Dec. 1624	Ralph Hodgkin[12]
occ. 1643	bur. 23 Mar. 1653-4	Robt Mauchleston[13]
occ. 1654-61		Wm Dickson[14]
occ. 1661	elect. 1662	Ralph Hall[15]
occ. 1662-4		John Poynter
occ. 1664-81		Matthias Hill M.A.?[16]

THE DEADROLL

Certified in 1548 that Agnes Aswell and Henry Lord had each given a yearly rent of 6d., to be prayed for by the curate in the beadroll every Sunday in the church for ever (6, r).

NOTES

[1] S. R. C., viii, n.s., p. 93. Yet from 1538 to 1547 the advowson did not belong to the priory (S. R. C., xi, pp. 170, 206, 226).

[a] Hall. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. as curate in 1533. All the incumbents are described as curates or ministers except the two Beches, the first of whom describes himself in his will as "parson" (i.e. rector) of M. and the second as "rector" of M.

[b] Beche (sen.). Possibly curate of Ellenhall 1533 and of Chapel Chorlton chapel 1533. A priest of this name is mentioned in the will of John Beche of Wolstanton, pr. 1539.

[c] Beche (jun.). Subscribed in 1559, possibly chaplain at Kings Bromley 1542.

[5] **Huntbach.** Scholaris ruralis, mediocriter doctus. No preacher, no degree, a mere worldling, salary 6*l.* (1602-4 *returns*), ordained by Thos Bentham, paid subsidies of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1569 and 1571 (19-519, 523; cf. *S. H. C.*, XIII, p. 275), probably curate at Marston 1610, at Ingestre 1620, buried at Standon 17 Ap. 1631.

[6] **Goodwin.** *See* **Bagnall chapel.**

[7] **Wood.** Many possible university men of this name (*Foster, Venn*).

[8] **Gallamore.** *See* **Colwich.**

[9] **Cope.** *See* **Eccleshall, Chapel Chorlton.**

[10] **Tomlynson.** *See* **Elford.**

[11] **Bourne.** *See* **Wolstanton, Thursfield.**

[12] **Hodgkin.** One Ralph Hodgskin entered Caius Coll. Camb. in 1618 and is perhaps identical with a Ralph Hotchkin, M.A. 1625 Ch. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[13] **Marchenton.** Occurs in the parish register as curate in 1643, though not formally "settled" here as minister until 19 Mar. 1650-1, by the committee for plundered ministers, who granted him an augmentation of 50*l.* p.a. from the impropriate rectory of Penkridge, sequestered from Edw Littleton, as his maintenance did not exceed 20*l.* p.a. (*Bod. MS.* 328, p. 397.)

[14] **Dicken.** Probably minister at Bradley-in-the-moors c. 1649 and at Fulford chapel 1651-2.

[15] **Hall.** Came here from Newcastle-under-Lyme, q.v.; paid a subsidy of 5*s.* 0*d.* in Jan. 1661-2; after his ejectment went to Chester (*Calamy*). One of this name married Susan Beardmore at Swynnerton on 2 Oct. 1611.

[16] **Hill.** Probably M.A. 1656 Magd. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

MARSTON CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle D.

It formerly belonged to Stafford collegiate church and the priest here was paid by the dean & certain of the prebendaries of Stafford. In May 1548 it possessed all the sacraments & rights of a parish church, except burials (*b*). On 20 July 1548 the commissioners ordered that the then incumbent should continue to serve this chapel at a yearly wage of 8*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*[1]

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 white bustian cope; 2 vestments, 1 of red & green silk with albe & amice, 1 of blue & green (silk?); 2 candlesticks; 2 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** (of Marston, Salt & Hopton) Rich Weston & Raff Palmer.

[6] **Huntbach.** Scholaris ruralis, mediocriter doctus. No preacher, no degree, a mere worldling, salary 6l. (1602-4 returns), ordained by Thos. Bentham, paid subsidies of 6s. 8d. in 1590 and 1571 (19-520, 523; cf. S. R. C., xiii, p. 275), probably curate at Marston 1610, at Ingestre 1620, buried at Standon 17 Ap. 1631.

[7] **Goodwin.** See Bagnall chapel.

[8] **Wood.** Many possible university men of this name (Foster, Venn).

[9] **Gallamore.** See Colwich.

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[11] **Tomlynson.** See Elford.

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[15] **Dicken.** Probably minister at Bradley-in-the-moors c. 1619 and at Fulford chapel 1651-2.

[16] **Hall.** Came here from Newcastle-under-Lyme, q.v.; paid a subsidy of 5s. 0d. in Jan. 1661-2; after his ejectment went to Chester (Calamy). One of this name married Susan Beardmore at Swynnerton on 2 Oct. 1611.

[17] **Hill.** Probably M.A. 1656 Magd. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

MARSTON CHAPEL

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It formerly belonged to Stafford collegiate church and the priest here was paid by the dean & certain of the prebendaries of Stafford. In May 1548 it possessed all the sacraments & rights of a parish church, except burials (4). On 20 July 1548 the commissioners ordered that the then incumbent should continue to serve this chapel at a yearly wage of 8l. 0s. 0d.[1]

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 white bustian cope; 2 vestments, 1 of red & green silk with albe & amice, 1 of blue & green (silk?); 2 candlesticks; 2 bells (2). **Ch. wds.:** (of Marston) Salt & Hopton) Rich Weston & Raff Palmer.

Many baptisms, weddings and burials of the inhabitants of Hopton, Salt, Whitgreave and Yarlet are recorded in the Marston register in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries.

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	Rich Thomkynson
occ. 1548	a curate [1]
occ. 1568	James Seddon [2]
occ. 1571-3	Thos Ridinges [3]
occ. 1593-1602	John Wayte [4]
occ. 1610	John Huntbatch [5]
occ. 1636	Edw Cowper [6]
occ. 1651-2	Edw Powell [7]
occ. 1666	Hen Tompson [8]

NOTES

[1] *Grants.*

[2] **Seddon.** Paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1568 (19-516).

[3] **Ridinges.** Paid the same in 1571-3 (19-522, 523). *See* **Milwich.**

[4] **Wayte.** Scholaris oxoniensis, in sacris litteris bene instructus. No preacher, no degree, salary 8*l.* (1602 *return*), matriculated 1580 Magd. Hall, Ox., as commoner from co. Stafford, aged 20 (*Foster*), ordained by Wm Overton.

[5] **Huntbatch.** Signs the register as curate in 1610. *See* **Maer.**

[6] **Cowper.** Possibly one of three Cambridge men mentioned by *Venn*. Curate here in 1636 (*Seighford par. reg.*) and at Ellenhall c. 1643-7.

[7] **Powell.** Possibly M.A. 1629 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[8] **Tompson.** *See* **Fradswell chapel.**

MAVESYN RIDWARE

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, approp. to the preb. of Alrewas and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 2 partly gilt silver chalices with paten; 3 copes, 1 of velvet, 1 of dornick, 1 of green silk; 1 copper cross with cloth for same; 6 vestments, 1 of camlet, 1 of dornick, 3 of green silk, 1 of tawney (silk); 2 dornick ornaments, 1 for deacon, 1 for subdeacon; 4 albes; 8 altar cloths; 5 towels; 3 corporals with cases; 1 cruet; 2 latten candlesticks; 1 brass water stock; 3 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 2 sacring bells.

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occ. 1631-2	Edw Powell [7]
occ. 1666	Hen Tompson [8]

NOTES

[1] Cranmer.

[2] **Seddon.** Paid subsidy of 6s. 8d. in 1568 (19-320).

[3] **Ridinges.** Paid the same in 1571-3 (19-322, 323). See Millwich.

[4] **Wayte.** Scholaris oxoniensis, in sacris litteris bene instructus. No preacher, no degree, subdy 8d. (1602 return), institutedad 1580 Magd. Hall, Ox., as commoner from co. Stafford, aged 20 (Foster), ordained by Wm Overton.

[5] **Huntbatch.** Signs the register as curate in 1610. See Mar.

[6] **Cowper.** Possibly one of three Cambridge men mentioned by Venn. Curate here in 1630 (Sainsbury, reg.) and at Ellenhall c. 1643-7.

[7] **Powell.** Possibly M.A. 1629 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn).

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Ch. wds.: Thos Walsalen & Thos Wollaston.

Patrons: *See S. H. C.*, x, n.s., p. 140; 1911, p. 96; xii, p. 231; 1575 Hen Chomley and Thos Mosse; 1648 John Agard esq.

RECTORS

13 July 1486	ob. 1531	Laurence Potter
1531	ob. 1575	Wm Marten [1]
10 Oct. 1575	ob. 8 July 1602	Raphael Norman [2]
11 July 1602	bur. 14 Jan. 1603-4	Peter Langton [3]
23 May 1604	bur. 8 Sep. 1648	John Langton [4]
6 Oct. 1648	sequest. 1657	John Price B.A.? [5]
1657	eject. 1660	Rich Swinfen M.A.? [6]
7 Sep. 1660	bur. 18 Nov. 1672	Wm Shaw M.A. [7]
27 May 1673		Gamaliel Pretty M.A. [8]
13 Feb. 1673-4		Brian Shaw M.A. [9]

OBIT AND LAMP

Certified in 1548 that certain lands had been given by dame Margaret Wodford, from the rent of which 2*s.* 0*d.* was paid for her obit, 4*d.* for a lamp and the balance—amount not stated—for general church uses. Also that another unknown donor had given lands worth 7*d.* p.a. for a lamp (*b*). Circa 1550 the total value is returned at 2*s.* 10*d.* net (*r*).

NOTES

[1] **Marten,** Martyn, Merton, Marton. Paid tax of 16*s.* in 1533. Occurs as rector 1546-62 (*S. H. C.*, ix, n.s., pp. 84, 85; cf. *ibid.* xiii, pp. 220, 221), probably subscribed 1559, died as rector 1575 (*Dioc. Reg.*). Stebbing Shaw states that Rich Jones became rector here in 1548 and Thos Langton in 1569. This statement is clearly incorrect, but they may perhaps have been curates here. Martyn was preb. of Wolvey 10 Dec. 1563—c. May 1575, the name Moreton which occurs in some printed lists of these prebendaries being a mistake.

[2] **Norman.** Preb. (vicar choral of the preb.?) of Freeford 17 Dec. 1567-74.

[3] **Langton** (Peter). Perhaps matriculated 1599-1600 Queens' Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). No preacher (1604 *return*).

[4] **Langton** (John). His wife Matilda and some property are mentioned in a final concord of 1613. (*S. H. C.*, iv, n.s., p. 47.)

[5] **Price.** Probably B.A. 1639-40 Cath. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Examined, approved and ordained by the presbyters of the first classis of the province of London as a presbyter in the form and manner

Patrons: See S. R. C., x, n.s., p. 140; xxiv, p. 96; xxi, p. 231; 1575 Hen Chomley and Thos Mosse; 1648 John Aggard esq.

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1657	elect. 1660	Rich Swinten M.A.? [5]
7 Sep. 1660	bur. 18 Nov. 1672	Wm Shaw M.A. [7]
27 May 1673		Cornelius Pretty M.A. [8]
13 Feb. 1673-4		Marmaduke Shaw M.A. [9]

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NOTES

[1] **Marten**, Martyn, Merton, Martin. Paid tax of 10s. in 1539. Occurs as rector 1546–62 (S. R. C., ix, n.s., pp. 84, 85; cf. xxii, xiii, pp. 220, 221), probably subscribed 1559, died as rector 1575 (Dioc. Reg.). Stebbing Shaw states that Rich Jones became rector here in 1548 and Thos Langton in 1569. This statement is clearly incorrect, but they may perhaps have been curates here. Martyn was preb. of Wolvey 10 Dec. 1563—c. May 1575, the name Morton which occurs in some printed lists of these prebendaries being a mistake.

[2] **Norman**, Preb. (vicar choral of the preb.) of Freeford 17 Dec. 1597-7-4.

[3] **Langton** (Peter). Perhaps matriculated 1590 (Queens' Coll. Camb. (Venn). No preacher (1604 return).

[4] **Langton** (John). His wife Matilda and some property are mentioned in a final concord of 1613. (S. R. C., iv, n.s., p. 47.)

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ordained by parliament for the ordination of ministers (*Shaw*, II, pp. 280, 361); sequestered from this living in 1657 on account of his great immoralities (*Calamy, under Marston, a misprint for Mavesyn*).

[6] **Swinfen.** Son of John Swinfen of Swinfen, Staffs., M.P.; born c. 1630, B.A. 1653-4 Pemb. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*); probably joined Ch. Ch. Ox. in 1654 (*Foster*); received presbyterian ordination in Derbyshire; minister at Sandiacre, Notts., before he came here; after his ejectment became a student of Gray's Inn in 1660 (*Foster*) and lived in London, Pipe Ridware, Barton-under-Needwood; married Elizabeth, dau. of John Clerk, esq., of Moor Hall, Warws., and died at Burton in 1691 (*Calamy*).

[7] **Shaw.** Probably son of Ralph Shaw, yeoman, of Sandbach, Ches.; born c. 1620, M.A. 1642 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn, Mayor*). Originally presented to this rectory in 1648 by John Agard (*Dioc. Reg.*) although not instituted until 1660 after his presentation had been confirmed by the King. Rector of Mucklestone 1666-72; preb. of Pipa parva 1663-72; probably had been the minister at Broughton chapel, Eccleshall, in 1651-2. He paid 1*l.* os. od. subsidy in Jan. 1661-2 and on 4 hearths here in 1666.

[8] **Pretty.** Son of the Rev. Rich Pretty of Hampton-in-Arden; B.A. 1667 S. Edmund Hall, Ox., M.A. 1670 Magd. Coll. Ox. (*Foster*).

[9] **Shaw** (Brian). Son of Wm Shaw, the late rector; M.A. 1673 Ch. Ch. Ox.; became rector of Barthomley, Ches., in 1685.

MAYFIELD

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Leek D., ormerly approp. to Tutbury Priory.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 4 altar cloths; 1 red damask vestment with albe, amice & stole; 3 towels; 4 candlesticks; 1 brass holywater stock; 1 half velvet corporal case; 1 flaxen sheet; 1 latten cross; 2 copes, 1 of velvet, 1 of damask; 3 bells (*s*); 1 hand bell; 1 surplice; 1 pewter cruet; 1 brass censer. **Ch. wds.:** Roger Sutton & Wm Frogate.

Patrons: 1557 Sir Edw Aston, 1568, 1604, 1621 Sir Walter Aston, 1631 Rowland Heylin, 1662 Thos Hunt of co. Salop, ar.

VICARS

	w.p. 9 Jan. 1524	Humphrey Hall
occ. 1533	ob. c. 1556-7	Robt Bothe [1]
6 Ap. 1557	w.p. 24 Ap. 1569	Thos Marler [2]
6 Dec. 1568	w.p. 21 Dec. 1620	Robt Wardle [3]

ordained by parliament for the ordination of ministers (Shaw, ii, pp. 280, 301); sequestered from this living in 1657 on account of his great immoralities (Calamy, under Marsden, a misprint for Mercer).

[8] **Swinden.** Son of John Swinden of Swinden, Staffs., M.P.; born c. 1630, B.A. 1653-4 Peterh. Coll. Camb. (Venn); probably joined Ch. Ch. Ox. in 1654 (Foster); received presbyterian ordination in Derbyshire; minister at Sandiacre, Notts., before he came here; after his ejectment became a student of Gray's Inn in 1660 (Foster) and lived in London, Pipe Riddware, Barton-under-Needwood; married Elizabeth, dau. of John Clerke, esq., of Moor Hall, Warws., and died at Burton in 1691 (Calamy).

[9] **Shaw.** Probably son of Ralph Shaw, yeoman, of Sandbach, Ches.; born c. 1620, M.A. 1642 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn, Mayor). Originally presented to this rectory in 1648 by John Agard (Dioc. Reg.) although not instituted until 1660 after his presentation had been confirmed by the King. Rector of Musbetone 1666-72; preb. of Tipa parva 1663-72; probably had been the minister at Broughton chapel, Ecclesfield, in 1651-2. He paid 1s. 6d. subsidy in Jan. 1661-2 and on a hearth here in 1666.

[8] **Pretty.** Son of the Rev. Nich. Pretty of Humpton-in-Arden; B.A. 1667 S. Edmund Hall, Ox.; M.A. 1670 Magd. Coll. Ox. (Foster).

[9] **Shaw** (Brian). Son of Wm Shaw, the late rector; M.A. 1672 Ch. Ch. Ox.; became rector of Barthomley, Ches., in 1685.

MAYFIELD

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Lock D. ormerly appropr. to Tutbury Priory.

Ch. Dep. 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 4 altar cloths; 1 red damask vestment with albe, amice & stole; 3 towels; 4 candlesticks; 1 brass holywater stock; 1 ball velvet corporal case; 1 flaxen sheet; 1 latten cross; 2 copes, 1 of velvet, 1 of damask; 3 bells (s); 1 hand bell; 1 surplice; 1 pewter cruet; 1 brass censer. Ch. wds.: Roger Sutton & Wm Frogate.

Patrons: 1552? Sir Edw Aston, 1578, 1604, 1621 Sir Walter Aston, 1631 Rowland Heylin, 1662 Thos Hunt of co. Salop, ar.

VICARS

		w.p. 9 Jan. 1524	Humphrey Hall
	occ. 1533	ob. c. 1556-7	Robt Botte [1]
	6 Ap. 1557	w.p. 24 Ap. 1569	Thos Marler [2]
	6 Dec. 1568	w.p. 21 Dec. 1620	Robt Wardle [3]

26 Sep. 1621	removed 1630	Samuel Nowell M.A. [4]
7 Mar. 1630-1	res. 1643	Wm Barton M.A. [5]
occ. 1649		a vicar [6]
occ. 1651-2	eject. 1662	Wm Rocke [7]
9 Dec. 1662	ob. 1698	John Kelsall [8]

CURATES

occ. 1533	Thos Manfylde [9]
occ. 1620	Robt Roberts

NOTES

[1] **Bothe.** Paid tax as vicar of 8*s.* 10½*d.* in 1533, died c. 1556 (*Dioc. Reg.*). Smith is wrongly given as vicar in the *Valor*.

[2] **Marler.** Described as chaplain when instituted, subscribed in 1559, did not pay the subsidy of 25 Mar. 1558 when due (19-506).

[3] **Wardle,** Wardell, Wardley. Scholaris ruralis, mediocriter doctus. No preacher, no degree, scandalous, ignorant (1602-4 *returns*), ordained by Thos Bentham. Vicarage worth 30*l.* p.a. in 1604.

[4] **Nowell,** Noell. M.A. 1621, B.D. 1630, Trin. and Brasenose Colls. Ox. (*Foster*), B.D. 1635 Camb. (*Venn*). Became vicar of Penn 28 Ap. 1628, so reinstituted as vicar here 2 Mar. 1628-9; perhaps occurs as curate of Wetton in 1628; this vicarage vacant by his "removal" in 1630 (*Dioc. Reg.*); vicar of Great Waltham 1630; of Little Canfield, Essex, 1636 (*Foster*).

[5] **Barton.** M.A. 1625 Camb. (*Venn*). A well-known writer of hymns, published a translation of the psalms in verse in 1644 and a *Century of select hymns* in 1659 (*D. N. B.*).

In Sep. 1646 Barton was the minister of S. John Zachary's, London, and petitioned the committee for plundered ministers for the rectory of Clifton Campville. (*Add. MS.*. 15670, p. 444; *Roy. Comp.*, 2nd series, vol. XXVIII, p. 477.) In 1648 he informed the commissioners for compounding that Francis the son of John Biddulph was a papist and delinquent (*Compounding*, p. 1817) and in 1650 that Wm Orme of Hanch Hall, Longdon (*see next note*), was not worthy of the favour of parliament, for by the aid of his malignant tenants here he had kept in a wicked minister at Mayfield, who in Aug. 1649 had preached against those who had any hand in the late King's death (*Compounding*, p. 1684). Subsequently he became vicar of S. Martin's, Leicester, where he died in 1678 (*Simms*).

[6] Vicar. Not named, a royalist? (*see last note*). On 12 Mar. 1646-7 the aforesaid Orme had been ordered to settle half of his tithes in Upper Mayfield on the minister here. The said half amounted to 18*l.* p.a., which was duly paid on 13 Feb. 1648-9. (*Roy. Comp.*, s. 1, vol. XLVIII, p. 195.) In the meantime, viz. on 16 Feb. 1647-8, the

26 Sep. 1621	removed 1630	Samuel Newell M.A.[a]
7 Mar. 1630-1	res. 1643	Wm Barton M.A.[a]
occ. 1640		a vicar[a]
occ. 1651-2	eject. 1662	Wm Rocke[a]
9 Dec. 1662	ob. 1698	John Kelsall[a]

CURATES

occ. 1533	Thos Manylde[a]
occ. 1620	Robt Roberts

NOTES

[1] **Boothe.** Paid tax as vicar of Ss. xxiij. in 1535, died c. 1556 (Dioc. Reg.). Smith is wrongly given as vicar in the Valor.

[2] **Marler.** Described as chaplain when instituted, subscribed in 1559, did not pay the subsidy of 25 Mar. 1535 when due (10-506).

[3] **Wardle,** Wardell, Wardley. Scholaris curalis, medicentur dictus. No preacher, no degree, scandalous, ignorant (1662-4 returns), ordained by Thos Benham. Vicarage worth 30l. p.a. in 1604.

[4] **Newell,** Noell, M.A. 1621, B.D. 1630, Trin. and Brasenose Colls. Ox. (Foster), B.D. 1635 Camb. (Venn). Became vicar of Fenn 28 Ap. 1648, so reinstituted as vicar here 2 Mar. 1658-9; perhaps occurs as curate of Wetton in 1653; this vicarage vacant by his "removal" in 1630 (Dioc. Reg.); vicar of Great Waltham 1630; of Little Canfield, Essex, 1636 (Foster).

[5] **Barton,** M.A. 1625 Camb. (Venn). A well-known writer of hymns, published a translation of the psalms in verse in 1644 and a Century of select hymns in 1659 (D. N. B.).

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[6] **Vicar.** Not named, a royalist? (see last note). On 12 Mar. 1648-9 the aforesaid Orme had been ordered to settle hall of his tithes in Upper Mayfield on the minister here. The said hall announced to 18l. p.a., which was duly paid on 13 Feb. 1648-9. (Roy. Comp., s. r., vol. xxviii, p. 195.) In the meantime, viz. on 16 Feb. 1647-8, the

committee for plundered ministers had settled 50*l.* p.a. from the impropriate tithe here, which had been sequestered from Orme and Rowland Okeover, delinquents, on such minister here as shall be approved, as his maintenance was not above 40*l.* p.a. (*Bod. MS.* 325, p. 218.)

[7] **Rocke.** Probably son of Thos Rocke, glover, of Shrewsbury, born c. 1624, educated at Shrewsbury school and at S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Mayor, Venn*). Married 24 July 1651 Mary Boyes at Tamworth; minister here in the winter of 1651-2 (*return of that date*); in receipt of an augmentation of 18*l.* p.a. from the trustees in 1656 and 1659 (*Lamb. MSS.* 970, p. 111; 981, p. 20; 994, p. 142); paid subsidy of 10s. in Jan. 1661-2; ejected 1662 (*Dioc. Reg., Calamy*).

[8] **Kelsall.** *See* **Audley.**

[9] **Manfylde.** Paid tax of 5s. 4*d.* in 1533, either as curate or chaplain here.

MILWICH

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D., formerly approp. to Stone Priory.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 bells (*s*); 2 vestments of divers colours with all things to them; 1 changeable silk cope; 1 surplice; 1 copper cross; 2 brass candlesticks; 1 altar cloth. **Ch. wds.:** Robt Alen & John Smithe.

Patrons: 1558 Sir Edw Aston kt, 1572 Sir Walter Aston kt.

VICARS

occ. 1533	res. 1558	Wm Horsley
18 June 1558	occ. 1559	Rich Nycolls? [1]
	on 1 Jan. 1560-1	no vicar [2]
11 Sep. 1562	res. 1572	Ralph Sympole [3]
27 Jan. 1572-3		Thos Sutton
22 Mar. 1585-6		Thos Austen M.A.? [4]
26 Sep. 1589	bur. 15 Aug. 1610	Thos Ryddinges [5]
Nov. 1610	bur. May 1672	James Shaw [6]
22 Feb. 1672-3		Wm Caldwall B.A. [7]

MINISTER

occ. 1648		Mr Ridgeway [8]

LIGHTS

Certified in 1548 that a parcel of land worth 2*s.* had been given to find lights and other common necessaries for this

committee for plundered ministers had settled 50l. p.a. from the impropriate tithe here, which had been sequestered from Orme and Rowland Dicover, delinquents, on such minister here as shall be approved, as his maintenance was out above 40l. p.a. (Ibid. MS. 325, p. 218.)

[1] Rocke. Probably son of Thos Rocke, clever, of Shrewsbury, born c. 1624, educated at Shrewsbury school and at S. John's Coll. Camb. (Alumni, Venn). Married 24 July 1653 Mary Hoyes at Tamworth; minister here in the winter of 1653-4 (return of that date); in receipt of an augmentation of 18l. p.a. from the trustees in 1656 and 1659 (Lamb. MSS. 970, p. 111; 981, p. 80; 994, p. 142); paid subsidy of 10s. in Jan. 1661-2; ejected 1662 (Dioc. Reg. Chesny).

[2] Kelsall. See Audley.

[3] Mayfylde. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1333, either as curate or chaplain here.

MILWICH

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D., formerly appropr. to Stone Priory.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 bells (5); 2 vestments of diverse colours with all things to them; 1 chargeable silk cope; 1 surplice; 1 copper cross; 2 brass candlesticks; 1 altar cloth. Ch. wdn.: Robt Alen & John Smithe.

Patrons: 1558 Sir Edw Aston kt, 1572 Sir Walter Aston kt.

VICARS

occ. 1533	res. 1558	*Wm Horsley*
18 June 1558	occ. 1559	Rich Nycolls? [1]
	on 1 Jan. 1560	no vicar [2]
11 Sep. 1562	res. 1572	Ralph Syrapole [3]
27 Jan. 1572-3		Thos Sutton
22 Mar. 1586-6		Thos Austen M.A.? [4]
26 Sep. 1589	bur. 15 Aug. 1610	Thos Rydding[illegible] [5]
Nov. 1610	bur. May 1672	James Shaw [6]
22 Feb. 1672-3		*Wm Caldwall B.A.?* [7]

MINISTERS

occ. 1648	Mr Ridgeway [8]

LIGHTS

Certified in 1548 that a parcel of land worth 2s. had been given to find lights and other common necessaries for this

church; also that another parcel of land worth 5*d.* had been given, the profits whereof should " be bestowed upon wax, to be made for lights in the said chapel for ever " (*b*).

Certified in June 1549 that 1 messuage, etc., called " Our Lady's Land," worth 3*s.* 4*d.*, had been given for lights in this church; also that land called " The Daybuttes," worth 8*d.*, had been left to find a lamp in this church (*e*). Reported c. 1550 that the clear annual value of the land for lights was 5*s.* 10*d.* and for a lamp 8*d.* (*r*).

NOTES

[1] **Nycolls.** Described as chaplain, when instituted, subscribed 1559.

[2] *Subsidy* 19-509.

[3] **Sympole.** Perhaps subscribed 1559 as Sempoll at Shrewsbury.

[4] **Austen.** *See* **Church Eaton.**

[5] **Ryddinges.** Scholaris ruralis, mediocriter doctus. No preacher, no degree (1602-4 *returns*); ordained priest by Wm, bp of Chester; probably curate at Marston 1571-3. Vicarage worth 10*l.* p.a. in 1604.

[6] **Shaw.** Continued to baptize and marry people here throughout the Interregnum; paid subsidy of 10*s.* in Jan. 1661-2.

[7] **Caldwall.** B.A. 1671 Ch. Ch. Ox.; became vicar of Sandon in 1681 (*Foster*).

[8] **Ridgeway.** Described as a preacher of God's word here, when left a legacy by Alex Howe, the puritan rector of Draycott. No doubt Shaw was not acceptable to the puritans.

MUCKLESTONE

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 2 silver chalices with patens; 3 vestments with their necessaries; 1 cope; 2 hangings afore the altars; 5 altar cloths; 1 copper cross; 2 brass censers; 3 great bells (*s*); 3 little bells in the church; 2 corporals; 2 cases; 6 towels good & bad. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Asheley & Rauf Lyghtfoote.

Patrons: 1554 Robt Morgan of Derbs., 1578 various from Sir Thos Offley kt, 1631 Wm Mainwaring etc., 1666 Mary relict, and John, son of John Offley.

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Certified in June 1549 that 1 messuage, etc., called "Our Lady's Land," worth 3s. 4d., had been given for lights in this church; also that land called "The Daybutties," worth 8d., had been left to find a lamp in this church (c). Reported c. 1550 that the clear annual value of the land for lights was 5s. 10d. and for a lamp 8d. (x).

NOTES

[1] Nycolls. Described as chaplain, when instituted, subscribed 1559.

[2] Subsidy 19-509.

[3] Symple. Perhaps subscribed 1559 as Sampell at Shrewsbury.

[4] Austen. See Church Eaton.

[5] Ryddinges. Scholaris ruralis, medicinar doctus. No preacher, no degree (1609-4 returns); ordained priest by Wm, bp of Chester; probably curate at Marston 1571-3. Vicarage worth 10l. p.a. in 1604.

[6] Shaw. Continued to baptize and marry people here throughout the Interregnum; paid subsidy of 10s. in Jan. 1661-2.

[7] Caldwall. B.A. 1671 Ch. Ch. Ox.; became vicar of Sandon in 1681 (Foster).

[8] Ridgeway. Described as a preacher of God's word here, when left a legacy by Alex Howe, the puritan rector of Dunyeatt. No doubt Shaw was not acceptable to the puritans.

MUCKLESTONE

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 2 silver chalices with patens; 3 vestments with their necessaries; 1 cope; 2 hangings afore the altars; 5 altar cloths; 1 copper cross; 2 brass censers; 3 great bells (s); 3 little bells in the church; 2 corporals; 2 cases; 6 towels good & bad. **Ch. wds.**: Thos Ashelay & Rand Lyghtfoote.

Patrons: 1554 Robt Morgan of Darby, 1575 various from Sir Thos Offley kt, 1621 Wm Mainwaring etc., 1666 Mary relict, and John, son of John Offley.

RECTORS

	ob. 1529	Nich Hubalde
29 June 1529		Thos Hunt M.A.
occ. 1533	w.p. 3 Aug. 1546	Ralph Savage [1]
22 June 1546	depr. 1553	Robt Aston [2]
c. 1553-4		no rector [3]
21 Nov. 1554		Oliver Gill [4]
rest. c. 1560	ob. 1577	Robt Aston [2]
27 Mar. 1578	ob. 1630	Thos Lee M.A. [5]
7 Feb. 1630-1	w.p. 28 May 1635	Roger Manwaringe B.A.
29 May 1635	occ. 1651-2	Nath Royly M.A.? [6]
12 June 1656 ff.	res. 1665	Gabriel Offley D.D. [7]
17 Feb. 1665-6	ob. 1672	Wm Shaw M.A. [8]
25 Mar. 1673		Wm Owen M.A.? [9]

THE PRIEST'S SERVICE

Certified in 1549 that 1 cottage in Oure (Woore), 1 croft in Gurnhough & 1 cottage in Boreston (Bearstone) worth 9*s.* 4*d.* net p.a. had been left to maintain a stipendiary priest in the parish church, when there was one, when not, for lights & repairs. Also that there was in money 26*s.* 8*d.* and 4 kine worth 53*s.* 4*d.* for the same purposes (*e*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	John Kendall [10]
(occ. 1542	John Rondulson)? [11]

OBIT AND LAMP

In 1578 certain lands then worth 2*s.* 5*d.* net p.a. were leased which had formerly belonged to an obit & a lamp in Mucklestone church. [12]

WOORE CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 little bell; 1 vestment with its necessaries; 1 corporal with case.

CHAPLAIN

occ. 1533	Reginald Wright? [13]

RECTORS

	ob. 1529	Nich Hubaide
20 June 1529		Thos Hunt M.A.
occ. 1533	w.p. 3 Aug 1546	Ralph Savage[1]
22 June 1546	depr. 1553	Robt Aston[2]
c. 1553-4		no rector[3]
21 Nov. 1554		Oliver Gill[4]
1st. c. 1560	ob. 1577	Robt Aston[5]
27 Mar. 1578	ob. 1630	Thos Lee M.A.[6]
7 Feb. 1630-1	w.p. 28 May 1633	Roger Manwaringe B.A.
20 May 1633	occ. 1671-2	Nath Royly M.A.?[7]
12 June 1676 ff.	res. 1685	Gabriel Offley D.D.[8]
17 Feb. 1685-6	ob. 1692	Wm Shaw M.A.[9]
25 Mar. 1693		Wm Owen M.A.?[10]

THE PRIEST'S SERVICE

Certified in 1549 that 1 cottage in Oure (Woore), 1 croft in Gurnbough & 1 cottage in Horeston (Bearstone) worth 9s. 4d. net p.a. had been left to maintain a stipendiary priest in the parish church, when there was one, when not, for lights & repairs. Also that there was in money 20s. 8d. and 4 kine worth 53s. 4d. for the same purposes (a).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	John Kendall[11]
(occ. 1542	John Rondulson)?[12]

OBIT AND LAMP

In 1576 certain lands then worth 2s. 8d. net p.a. were leased which had formerly belonged to an obit & a lamp in Mucklestone church.[13]

WOORE CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1533: 1 little bell; 1 vestment with its necessaries; 1 corporal with case.

CHAPLAIN

occ. 1533	Reginald Wright?[14]

READER

occ. 1616 a reader[14]

NOTES

[1] **Savage.** Described as magister when he paid the tax of 36*s.* as rector here in 1533; probably B.C.L. 1526 Ox. (*Foster*).

[2] **Aston.** Vicar of Sandon 1530—depr. 1553, restored there c. 1560-77; probably preb. of Freeford 1561-76?; subscribed 1559; occurs as overseer to the will of Thos Saunder of Hilderstone, Sandon, dated 12 Feb. 1557-8, pr. 1560; and as witness to will of John Bucknall of Mucklestone dated 8 Jan. 1558-9.

[3] *Subsidy* 271-5.

[4] **Gill,** Gibbs?. Paid first fruits 27 Mar. 1555, but did not pay subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 (19-506).

[5] **Lee,** Ley. M.A., gregem suum laudabiliter instructus, a preacher offensive to the whole county, preacheth very seldom (1604 *return*), ordained and instituted by Thos Bentham. Rectory worth 100 marks in 1604.

[6] **Royly,** Royle. *See* **Madeley.**

[7] **Offley.** Fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.A. 1632-3; M.A. 1636; D.D. 1660 litteris regis; paid a subsidy of 6*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* in Jan. 1661-2; preb. of Longdon 1663-83?.

[8] **Shaw.** *See* **Mavesyn Ridware.**

[9] **Owen.** Son of Wm Owen, rector of Pontesbury (1st portion), Salop, 1641-6; grandson of Sir Wm Owen of Condover (*Gregory*); M.A. 1673 Ch. Ch. Ox.; became rector of Pontesbury (2nd portion) in 1672 (*Foster*).

[10] **Kendall.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 5*d.* in 1533 as curate or chaplain here.

[11] **Rondulson.** Described as curate in 1542 (*S. H. C.*, 1910, p. 257).

[12] *Leases*, 1, no. 33.

[13] **Wright?.** Name indistinct; paid tax of 6*s.* 2½*d.* in 1533 as curate here.

[14] The reader at Woore chapel was left 5*l.* by the will of Ralph Wooley dated 23 Mar. 1615-6 that he should freely and for ever teach the children of all the inhabitants of Aston, Mucklestone. (*Mander*, p. 377.)

NORBURY

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 latten pyx; 2 corporals with silk cases; 5 vestments, 1 of blue

occ. 1616 a reader[14]

NOTES

[1] **Savage.** Described as magister when he paid the tax of 3s., as rector here in 1533; probably B.C.L. 1526 Ox. (*Foster*).

[2] **Aston.** Vicar of Sandon 1539—dep. 1553, restored there c. 1560-77; probably preb. of Freeford 1567-76? subscribed 1559; occurs as overseer to the will of Thos Saunder of Hilderstone, Sandon, dated 12 Feb. 1557-8, pr. 1560; and as witness to will of John Buckmall of Muckleston dated 5 Jan. 1558-9.

[3] **Sudsiby.** 1571-5.

[4] **Gill, Gibbel.** Paid first fruits 27 Mar. 1555, but did not pay subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 (10-506).

[5] **Lee, Ley.** M.A., pregem sunm laudabiliter instructus, a preacher offensive to the whole county, preacheth very seldom (1604 return), ordained and instituted by Thos Bentham. Rectory worth 100 marks in 1604.

[6] **Royly, Royle.** See **Madeley.**

[7] **Offley.** Fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.A. 1572-3; M.A. 1576; D.D. 1600 littteris regis; paid a subsidy of 6*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* in Jan. 1601-2; preb. of Longdon 1583-87.

[8] **Shaw.** See **Maveseyn Ridware.**

[9] **Owen.** Son of Wm Owen, rector of Tanesbury (1st portion), Salop, 1541-6; grandson of Sir Wm Owen of Condover (*Gregory*); M.A. 1573 Cn. Ch. Ox.; became rector of Pontesbury (2nd portion) in 1572 (*Forty*).

[10] **Kendall.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533 as curate of Aplin here.

[11] **Rondulson.** Described as curate in 1542 (S. H. C., 1910, p. 257).

[12] **Leasse,** r. no. 33.

[13] **Wright.** Name indistinct; paid tax of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1533 as curate here.

[14] The reader at Woore chapel was left 5*l.* by the will of Ralph Wooley dated 23 Mar. 1615-6 that he should freely and for ever teach the children of all the inhabitants of Aston, Mucklestone. (*Mander*, p. 377.)

NORBURY

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 latten pyx; 2 corporals with silk cases; 5 vestments, 1 of blue

silk, 1 of green silk, 2 of blue worsted, 1 of " cadyas "; 4 albes; 2 copes, 1 of red silk, 1 of fustian; 4 altar cloths; 1 surplice with rochet; 1 linen cloth veil; 1 latten cross; 1 pair of censers, with latten ship; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 1 latten chrismatory; 2 tin cruets; 3 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 1 sacring bell; 1 hand bell. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Yate & Thos Yomans, who had sold 1 brass bucket to " sylle " (rafter or make a canopy for?) the church gate.

Patrons: 1540 Thos Skrymsher, 1556, 1567 John Skrymsher, 1662 John Skrymsher.

RECTORS

	res. 1529	Roger Drewe M.A. [1]
14 Mar. 1529-30	occ. 1533	Wm Skrymsher M.A. [2]
occ. 1535	bur. 21 Dec. 1555	John Tilsley
8 Jan. 1555-6	bur. 18 Feb. 1565-6	Rich Okeley [3]
3 Aug. 1566 ff.	res. 1567	John Moreton
12 May 1567	ob. 1580	John Piggott [4]
4 May 1580 ff.	bur. 2 Mar. 1616-7	James Riddings [5]
8 Mar. 1616-7	bur. 3 Nov. 1638	Hugh Meare [6]
2 Dec. 1638	bur. 22 May 1649	Thos Bury M.A.? [7]
3 June 1649	res. 1662	Christopher Comyn M.A.? [8]
22 Dec. 1662	occ. 1700	Peter Spenlowe B.A. [9]

Curates

occ. 1533	John Starkye [10]
occ. 1538	Hen Wightwyke [11]
occ. 1540-55	Rich Okeley [3]
occ. 1648	John Wigget

ALL HALLOWES CHAPEL AT WESTON JONES

Not mentioned in 1563 or subsequently.

Discovered in 1552 that this chapel was void and occupied by John Barbour, gentleman (*h, m*).

NOTES

[1] **Drewe.** Described as " Venerable " (*Dioc. Reg.*). Fellow of All Souls, Ox., in 1512; M.A. in 1514 (*Foster*).

[2] **Skrymsher.** Paid tax of 10s. in 1533.

silk, 1 of green silk, 2 of blue worsted, 1 of "cadyas"; 4 albes; 2 copes, 1 of red silk, 1 of fustian; 4 altar cloths; 1 surplice with rochet; 1 linen cloth veil; 1 latten cross; 1 pair of censers, with latten ship; 2 masyn candlesticks; 1 latten chrismatory; 2 tin cruets; 3 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 1 sacring bell; 1 hand bell. Ch. wds.: Thos Yate & Thos Yeomans, who had sold a brass bucket to "sylle" (rather or make a canopy for) the church gate.

Patrons: 1540 Thos Skrymsher, 1556, 1567 John Skrymsher, 1662 John Skrymsher.

RECTORS

	res. 1549	Roger Drewe M.A.[1]
14 Mar. 1549-50	occ. 1553	Wm Skrymsher M.A.[2]
occ. 1553	bur. 21 Dec. 1555	John Tilley
8 Jan. 1555-6	bur. 18 Feb. 1565-6	Rich Okeley[2]
3 Aug. 1566 fl.	res. 1567	John Moreton
12 May 1567	ob. 1580	John Piggott[2]
4 May 1580 fl.	bur. 2 Mar. 1616-7	James Middlings[2]
8 Mar. 1616-7	bur. 3 Nov. 1638	Hugh Meare[2]
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[2] Skrymsher. Paid tax of 10s. in 1533.

[3] **Okeley,** Ocley, Ockeley. Subscribed in 1559; resident curate or chaplain here c. 1540-55; rector 1556-66.

[4] **Piggott,** Pygotte. *See* **High Offley.**

[5] **Riddings,** Readyng. Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris bene versatus; no preacher (1604 *return*); ordained by Thos Bentham; will pr. 8 Mar. 1616-7. Mentioned in *S. H. C.*, xv, p. 149. Rectory was worth 40*l.* in 1604. *See* **Kingsley** and **Penkridge.**

[6] **Meare.** *See* **Draycott-in-the-moors.**

[7] **Bury,** Berry. Possibly M.A. 1633 Trin. Coll. Camb., but several of this name matriculated at Camb. between 1595 and 1627 (*Venn*). Vicar of Hanbury Nov.-Dec. 1638; committed to prison 1 May 1643 by a committee of parliament for preaching malicious doctrine against parliament and calling the members usurpers. (*Garner's Staffs.*, p. 78.)

[8] **Comyn, Commin.** Fellow of Peterhouse Coll. Camb., M.A. 1641 (*Venn*), became vicar of Prees, Salop, died there 1699; preb. of Bishopshull 1644-99.

[9] **Spenlowe,** Spendlove. B.A. 1661 Brasenose Coll. Ox.; described as gentleman (*Foster*); ordained priest 21 Dec. 1662.

[10] **Starkye.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533 as curate or chaplain.

[11] **Wightwyke.** *See* **Tettenhall** vicars choral.

NORTON CANES

In 1563 a church, without any annexed chapels, approp. to the preb. of Hansacre and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Certified in 1548 that the prebendary had only allowed 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* p.a. for the salary of his curate here, so the parishioners had increased his salary by 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* net p.a., the rent of certain lands, given by persons then unknown for S. Margaret's Service in this church, the incumbent of which had to sing mass daily and was removable at the pleasure of the parishioners. There were no plate or goods belonging to this service (*b, c, r*).

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 3 pair of vestments, 1 of red & green crewel, 1 of red silk, 1 of green crewel; 1 dun damask cope; 1 altar cloth; 2 towels; 1 brass cross; 3 banner cloths; 2 bells; 1 sanctus bell. **Ch. wds.:** John Newall & Antony Harper.

In 1604 there were many popish here.

[5] **Okeley**, Oxley, Ockeley. Subscribed in 1559; resident curate or chaplain here c. 1540-85; rector 1585-86.

[6] **Piggott**, Pygotte. See **High Offley**.

[7] **Riddings**, Readyng. Scholaris curialis, in sacris litteris bene versatus; no preacher (1604 return); ordained by Thos Bentham; will pr. 8 Jan. 1610-7. Mentioned in S. & C., xv, p. 149. Rectory was worth 40l. in 1604. See **Kingsley** and **Penkridge**.

[8] **Meare**. See **Draycott-in-the-moors**.

[9] **Bury**, Berry. Possibly M.A. 1633 Trin. Coll. Camb., but several of this name matriculated at Camb. between 1595 and 1627 (Venn). Vicar of Hanbury Nov. Dec. 1638; committed to prison 1 May 1643 by a committee of parliament for preaching malicious doctrine against parliament and calling the members usurpers. (Cameys Sal/5., p. 78.)

[10] **Cowyn**, Cownin. Fellow of Peterhouse Coll. Camb., M.A. 1631 (Venn), became vicar of Trees, Salop, died there 1699; preb. of Bishopshull 1644-99.

[11] **Spenlowe**, Spendlove. B.A. 1661 Brasenose Coll. Ox.; described as gentleman (Foster); ordained priest 21 Dec. 1662.

[12] **Starkye**. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1733 as curate or chaplain.

[13] **Wilghtwykie**. See **Tettenhall** vicars choral.

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CURATES

occ. 1533		a curate [1]
occ. 1548		John Traford [2]
occ. 1594		Robt Cropweld [3]
occ. 1604		a curate [4]
occ. 1610	w.p. 17 Aug. 1635	Thos Peynton [5]
occ. 1648	bur. 18 July 1668	Roger Linch M.A.? [6]
occ. 1670	—1681	Rich Oneley M.A.? [7]

NOTES

[1] **Curate.** Not named, paid tax of 4*s.* 5¼*d.* in 1533. Norton is not mentioned in the *Valor*.

[2] **Traford.** In 1548 his salary is given as 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (*c*) and 2*l.* (*d*) (*see page* 197). Received a pension of 53*s.* 4*d.*, which was paid him for many years (*p*, *q*).

[3] **Cropweld.** Subscribed to the articles of 1562 in 1594. (*Vicar's Muniments, Lich.*, D. 5.)

[4] **Curate.** Not named, no preacher, salary 8*l.* (1604 *return*).

[5] **Peynton.** Possibly curate at Cheadle c. 1571; probably curate at Cannock, c. 1576; Margery his wife buried here 11 Feb. 1609-10; will pr. P.C.C. 85, *Sadler*. *See* **Longdon.**

[6] **Linch.** Perhaps M.A. 1635 New Coll. Ox., son of Anthony Linch of Newbury, Berks. (*Foster*). On 24 Nov. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers ordered that an unnamed minister here should have his salary of 10*l.* increased by the following grants, viz. 3*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, the rent reserved for the Lichfield vicars choral from land here occupied by widow Birch; 13*s.* 4*d.* the amount payable by Mr Fowke to the dean; and 6*l.* from these tithes, sequestered from John Cornelius, the preb. of Hansacre. After the expiration of certain leases this augmentation is to be made up to 50*l.* p.a. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 243.) In 1648 Linch signed the testimony and on 18 Nov. 1649 is granted the aforementioned 3*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (*Bod. MSS.* 326, p. 297; cf. 327, p. 479.) He received 5*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* for six months' augmentation to 29 Sep. 1649. (*Shaw*, II, 544.) On 27 Nov. 1650 his maintenance is certified at 10*l.* p.a. and the committee for the reformation of the universities made him a grant of 30*l.* p.a. from the prebend of Colwich and confirmed the former grant of 6*l.* p.a. (*Sion MS.*, pp. 490, 494.) About 1659 he was in receipt of an augmentation of 45*l.* p.a. (*Lamb. MS.* 994, p. 142.) In 1666 Linch as minister certified the number of hearths at Weeford and Hints, which suggests that he also was acting as the curate there at this time.

[7] **Oneley.** Probably B.A. 1667 Magd. Hall, Ox., M.A. 1672 Ch. Coll. Camb., son of Humphrey Only of Yoxall (*Foster*).

CURATES

occ. 1533		a curate [1]
occ. 1548		John Tudeol [2]
occ. 1594		Robt Cropwold [3]
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occ. 1610	w.p. 17 Aug. 1633	Thos Peynton [5]
occ. 1648	bur. 18 July 1668	Roger Linch M.A.? [6]
occ. 1670	—1681	Rich Onelay M.A.? [7]

NOTES

[1] **Curate.** Not named, paid tax of 4s. 8½d. in 1533. Norton is not mentioned in the Valor.

[2] **Tudeol.** In 1548 his salary is given as 2l. 13s. 4d. (e) and 3l. (a) (see page 197). Received a pension of 33s. 4d., which was paid him for many years (A. 9).

[3] **Cropwold.** Subscribed to the articles of 1562 in 1594. (Vicar's Memoranda, Lich., D. 5.)

[4] **Curate.** Not named, no preacher, salary 8l. (1601 return).

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[7] **Onelay.** Probably B.A. 1667 Magd. Hall, Ox., M.A. 1672 Ch. Coll. Camb., son of Humphrey Only of Yoxall (Foster).

OKEOVER

Not mentioned in the 1563 return. In 1541 this chapel was granted to the dean & chapter of the collegiate church of Burton-on-Trent.[1]

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 2 vestments, 1 of white camlet, 1 of red & green saie; 2 albes; 2 amices; 1 brass pyx with cover; 2 corporals with silk case; 2 altar cloths; 1 surplice; 1 pair of brass censers; 2 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell (*s*); 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell; 2 cruets. **Ch. wd.:** Thos Bafford.

CURATE

occ. 20 Nov. 1568	Wm Cotton[2]

NOTES

[1] *S. H. C.*, VII, n.s., p. 70.
[2] *Act Book.*

ONECOTE CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel with cure, but without institution, in Leek D. Usually reputed to be in Leek parish, but in 1604 said to be in Grindon parish.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 bell (*s*); 1 sacring bell. **Chapel wd.:** Roger Wardell. 1 vestment; 1 albe; 1 amice had been sold by Rich Forsett, surveyor, for 2*s.* 0*d.*

CURATES

occ. 1593	a curate[1]
occ. 1604	Ralph Salt[2]
occ. 1620	Robt Smith
30 Sep. 1648	Thos Miles[3]

NOTES

[1] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[2] **Salt.** No preacher, a lewd young man without Orders, out of all good order weareth a feather in his hat (1604 *return*).

[3] **Miles.** Possibly matriculated 1597 S. Mary Hall, Ox., from co. Gloucester, aged 14 (*Foster*). By an order dated 15 Mar. 1646-7 the

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Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 2 vestments, 1 of white damask, 2 of red & green satin; 2 albes; 2 amices; 1 brass pyx with cover; 2 corporals with silk case; 2 altar cloths; 1 surplice; 1 pair of brass censers; 2 bells (2); 1 sanctus bell (2); 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell; 2 cructs. **Ch. wd.**: Thos Bafford.

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committee for plundered ministers granted to the minister here, when appointed, 20*l.* p.a. from the impropriate rectory of Ellastone, sequestered from Sir Rich Fleetwood, papist and delinquent. On 30 Sep. 1648 the said committee appointed Miles and granted him this augmentation. (*Bod. MS.* 325, p. 278.) Probably he became the minister at Stowe, Lichfield, q.v., in 1656.

PATSHULL OR PATTESHULL

In 1563 a church, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 overgilt silver chalice with paten; 1 corporal with case; 3 vestments; 3 bells (*s*); 1 yellow silk cope.

Ch. wds.: Rich Halle & Wm Wilriche.

CURATES

occ. 1533	w.p. 28 June 1547	Rich Fletchar [1]
	w.p. 17 May 1553	Thos Wood [2]
occ. 1571-78		Rich Morgan [3]
occ. 1593	w.p. 20 Aug. 1640	Geo Wightwick [4]
20 Aug. 1640	bur. 9 May 1663	Rich Bathoe [5]
28 Sep. 1663	occ. 1676	John Southall [6]

NOTES

[1] **Fletchar,** Fletcher. Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533, will dated 13 June 1547.

[2] **Wood.** Will dated 7 May 1553.

[3] **Morgan.** Paid subsidies of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1571 and 1578 (19-523, 528).

[4] **Wightwick.** Scholaris ruralis, mediocriter doctus, ordained priest 4 Oct. 1584 by Wm Overton, married 28 Jan. 1592-3 Joane Fletcher, had many children, one son went to Oxford (*Foster*), will dated 4 Jan. 1639-40. Patshull is not mentioned in 1604 return.

[5] **Bathoe.** One of this name matriculated 1587 S. Mary Hall, Ox., son of a Welsh incumbent (*Foster*), another? matriculated 1587 Jesus Coll. Camb., B.A. 1592-3 Pemb. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Entered as curate 20 Aug. 1640 (*Par. Reg.*), minister here in winter of 1651-2, buried at Pattingham. On 9 Nov. 1652 the committee for plundered ministers granted an augmentation of 50*l.* p.a. out of the tithes sequestered from Mr Giffard, recusant, to a minister here, when he should be selected and approved. (*Bod. MS.* 328, p. 212.) No mention of its payment is known and it is doubtful if Bathoe was ever dis-

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NOTES

[1] Fletcher, Fletcher. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1533, will dated 15 June 1547.

[2] Wood. Will dated 7 May 1553.

[3] Morgan. Paid subsidies of 6s. 8d. in 1571 and 1578 (19-20, 22 Eliz.).

[4] Wightwick. Scholaris triralis, mediocriter doctus, ordained priest 4 Oct. 1584 by Wm Overton, admitted 28 Jan. 1592-3 Joane Fletcher, had many children, one son went to Oxford (*Foster*), will dated 4 Jan. 1639-40. Patshull is not mentioned in 1641 return.

[5] Bathoe. One of this name matriculated 1587 S. Mary Hall, Ox., son of a Welsh incumbent (*Foster*), another matriculated 1587 Jesus Coll. Camb., B.A. 1592-3 Pemb. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Entered as curate 20 Aug. 1640 (*Par. Reg.*), minister here in winter of 1651-2, buried at Pattingham. On 9 Nov. 1652 the committee for plundered ministers granted an augmentation of 50l. p.a. out of the tithes sequestered from Mr Gittard, recusant, to a minister here, when he should be selected and approved (*Pat.* MS. 328, p. 272.) No mention of its payment is known and it is doubtful if Bathoe was ever dis-

turbed, for baptisms took place here throughout the Commonwealth and Southall became curate on the death of Bathoe (*Dioc. Reg.*).

[6] **Southall.** No degree, ordained both deacon and priest 27 Sep. 1663.

PATTINGHAM

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D., formerly approp. to the Priory of de la Launde.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 6 vestments, 1 of red satin, 1 of blue silk, 1 of white silk, 3 of silk of divers colours; 2 copes, 1 of red satin, 1 of yellow silk; 1 maslyn cross; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 5 bells; 1 sanctus bell. Roger Hordwyke of P. with the consent of the parish had sold 2 maslyn candlesticks for 6*s.* 8*d.* **Ch. wds.:** John Clemeson & Wm Perie.

Patron: 1581-1604 the Crown.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1551	Roger Baylly [1]
26 Ap. 1551	bur. 15 Aug. 1581	Roger Hodson [2]
23 Nov. 1581	bur. 27 Mar. 1613	Wm Cooke [3]
5 May 1613	bur. 23 Sep. 1633	Wm Baylie [4]
31 Dec. 1633	occ. 1646	Edward Holbrook M.A. [5]
occ. 1647	bur. 8 May 1677	Wm Southall [6]
9 Aug. 1677 ff.	bur. 27 Ap. 1709	Benjamin Jordan

CURATE

occ. 1620	bur. 10 May 1629	Hum Gaynam

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1549 that the parishioners had bought a messuage in Stepple, Salop, for 10*l.*, the rent of which had been applied in paying a Lady Priest to sing mass in the parish church and to pray for all Christian souls. The messuage was then worth 20*s.* 0*d.* net p.a. and the last priest had left c. 1545 (*e*).

INCUMBENT

left c. 1545	John Skalebough (*e*)

NOTES

[1] **Baylly.** Paid tax of 8*s.* 10½*d.* in 1533.

[2] **Hodson,** Hodgeson. Subscribed 1559, will pr. 21 Sep. 1582.

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CURATE

occ. 1640	bur. 10 May 1649	Hum Cayman

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INCUMBENT

left c. 1545	John Shalebough (e)

NOTES

[1] Bayly. Paid tax of 8s. 10½d. in 1533.
[2] Hodson, Hodgeson. Subscribed 1559, will pr. 21 Sep. 1583.

[3] **Cooke.** Scholaris ruralis, mediocriter doctus; no preacher, unlearned (1604 *return*), ordained by Thos Bentham, presented by Crown 23 Nov. 1581, instituted 26 Jan. 1581-2, will pr. 22 Ap. 1613. Vicarage worth 40 marks in 1604.

[4] **Baylie.** *See* **Wolverhampton**, *note* 56.

[5] **Holbrook.** *See* **Abbots Bromley.**

[6] **Southall.** Probably matriculated 1631 Pemb. Coll. Ox. (*Foster*), brother of the Codsall curate, baptized children here throughout Commonwealth period, paid 1*l.* subsidy Jan. 1661-2. One of this name incumbent of Berkswich 1658-9. On 24 Nov. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers, finding that this vicarage was only worth 20*l.* p.a., granted an augmentation to the minister here of 50*l.* p.a. out of this rectory, sequestered from Sir Robt Wolseley bart., the reversion whereof being in the hands of Mr Watson and Mr Giffard, all three delinquents. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 243; *S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, p. 265; F. 2, pt. 1, pp. 196, 199.)

PENKRIDGE

In 1563 a vicarage, with 3 annexed chapels of ease with cure at Coppenhall, Dunston and Stretton, in Lapley D. Formerly it had been a royal free chapel or collegiate church, which had been granted on 13 Sep. 1206 by King John to the Archbishop of Dublin. In Feb. 1545-6 the commissioners state that it had been founded by King Edgar and that the revenue of the college was 74*l.* 9*s.* 3*d.* p.a., which was thus expended:—

37*l.* 7*s.* 0*d.* for the salaries of the dean, 7 prebendaries, 2 resident canons & 1 sexton, who formed the college and, as such, were the parsons or rectors of the parish, where there were 1,200 houseling people or communicants.

5*l.* 19*s.* 8*d.* for the tenths.

25*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* for the salaries of 6 curates or vicars choral.

2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for the wage of the high deacon, paid out of the Preb. of Dunston.

2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* for the wage of the sub-deacon, paid out of the Prebs. of Congreve and Longridge.

10*s.* for bread & wine.

8*s.* on bread & ale for the "Maundey."

4*s.* 4*d.* on a light before the Sacrament.

There were not any plate or jewels, but there were certain goods or ornaments, not valued, and a mansion house, "wherin the twoo Canons do Lye," worth 2*s.* p.a. (*a*).

[a] **Cooke.** Scholaris rurallis, mediocriter doctus; no preacher, unlearned (1604 return), ordained by Thos Bentham, presented by Crown 23 Nov. 1581, instituted 26 Jan. 1581-2, will pr. 22 Ap. 1613. Vicarage worth 40 marks in 1604.

[b] **Baylie.** See **Wolverhampton**, note 56.

[c] **Holbrook.** See **Abbots Bromley**.

[d] **Southall.** Probably matriculated 1631 Pemb. Coll. Ox. (Foster), brother of the Codsall curate, baptized children here throughout Commonwealth period, paid 1l. subsidy Jan. 1661-2. One of this name incumbent of Berkswich 1658-9. On 23 Nov. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers, finding that this vicarage was only worth 20l. p.a., granted an augmentation to the minister here of 50l. p.a. out of this rectory, sequestered from Sir Robt Wolseley bart., the reversion whereof being in the hands of Mr Watson and Mr Gilbert, all three delinquents. (Bod. MS. 323, p. 243; S. P. Dom. Inter. F. 1, p. 265; F. 2, pt. 1, pp. 196, 199.)

PENKRIDGE

In 1563 a vicarage, with 3 annexed chapels of ease with cure at Coppenhall; Dunston and Stretton, in Lapley D. Formerly it had been a royal free chapel or collegiate church, which had been granted on 13 Sep. 1206 by King John to the Archbishop of Dublin. In Feb. 1545-6 the commissioners state that it had been founded by King Edgar and that the revenue of the college was 74l. 0s. 3d. p.a., which was thus expended:—

37l. 7s. 0d. for the salaries of the dean, 7 prebendaries, 2 resident canons & 1 sexton, who formed the college and, as such, were the parsons or rectors of the parish, where there were 1,200 housekeeping people or communicants.

5l. 10s. 8d. for the tenths.

25l. 6s. 8d. for the salaries of 6 curates or vicars choral.

2l. 13s. 4d. for the wage of the high deacon, paid out of the Preb. of Dunston.

2l. 0s. 0d. for the wage of the sub-deacon, paid out of the Prebs. of Congreve and Longridge.

10s. for bread & wine.

8s. on bread & ale for the "Maundey."

4s. 4d. on a light before the Sacrament.

There were not any plate or jewels, but there were certain goods or ornaments, not valued, and a mansion house, "wherein the twoo Canons do Lye," worth 2s. p.a. (a).

Coppenhall, Stretton and Shareshill are named as chapels of ease to Penkridge temp. Edw VI, but the last named seems to have become a separate parish by 1563 and is so dealt with in this work.

It was certified in May 1548 that the college possessed no plate, but some household stuff worth 4*s.* 10*d.*, and that the clear yearly value of its possessions was 78*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.* (*b*); in June 1548 (*c*) this is given as 82*l.* 3*s.* 0*d.* and c. 1550 at 85*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* (*r*). In 1651 the fee farm of the college of Penkridge was 68*l.* 4*s.* 8½*d.*, out of which was paid to the vicar of Penkridge 16*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*, to his curate 8*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*, to the curate of Coppenhall 4*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*, to the curate of Stretton 3*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.*, to Shareshill church 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* and to the officer in ordinary for the jurisdiction of the said college 1*l.* 4*s.* 0*d.*[1]

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 2 silver chalices with patens; 1 silver censer; 2 silver cruets; 1 gilt silver pyx; 3 dark tawny velvet copes; 3 suites of vestments, 1 of blue velvet for the parish deacon & subdeacon with one cope, 1 of black worsted without albe or amice, 1 of crimson velvet bought by Mr Edw Lyttylton at the suppression of Stone monastery; 6 vestments, 2 of green Bruges satin with albe & amice, 1 of crimson sarsenet, 1 of green velvet, 1 of green . . . with albe & amice, 1 of blue fustian; 1 stained canopy; 3 stained banner cloths & 3 streamers; 3 pillows, 1 of damask, 2 of fustian " inapes " (in a piece?); 5 altar cloths; 3 towels; 2 coffers; 3 corporals with cases; 2 crosses, 1 of copper, 1 of wood covered with tin; 4 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 4 candlesticks, 2 of brass, 2 of maslyn; 2 pall cloths for corpses.

Another bell had been sold with the consent of the parishioners and the proceeds applied (i) in plucking down the altars & defacing the church, (ii) in buying & painting 37 yards of cloth to go over along the rood loft, (iii) in painting the table at the high altar with scriptures, (iv) in glazing the church windows, (v) in hiring a young man to teach (in the) writing school, (vi) in a gift to 3 lame creatures, who are not able to go " abrode."

PENKRIDGE COLLEGE[2]

THE DEAN

The archbp of Dublin[3]

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On 9th May 1553: 2 silver chalices with patens; 1 silver censer; 2 silver cruets; 1 gilt silver pyx; 3 dark tawny velvet copes; 3 suites of vestments, 1 of blue velvet for the parish deacon & subdeacon with one cope, 1 of black worsted without albe or amice, 1 of crimson velvet bought by Mr Edw Lyttyton at the suppression of Stone monastery; 6 vestments, 2 of green Bruges satin with albe & amice, 1 of crimson sarsenet, 1 of green velvet, 1 of green . . . with albe & amice, 1 of blue fustian; 1 stained canopy; 3 stained banner cloths & 3 streamers; 3 pillows, 1 of damask, 2 of fustian "linges" (in a piece); 5 altar cloths; 3 towels; 2 coffers; 3 corporals with cases; 2 crosses, 1 of copper, 1 of wood covered with tin; 4 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 4 candlesticks, 2 of brass, 2 of mashyn; a pall cloths for corpses.

Another bell had been sold with the consent of the parishioners and the proceeds applied (i) in placing down the altars & defacing the church, (ii) in buying & painting 37½ yards of cloth to go over along the rood loft, (iii) in painting the table at the high altar with scriptures, (iv) in glazing the church windows, (v) in hiring a young man to teach (in the) writing school, (vi) in a gift to 3 lame creatures, who are not able to go "abrode."

PENKRIDGE COLLEGE*

THE DEAN

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PREB. OF CONGREVE

	occ. 1533	Hugh Wellows [4]
	occ. 1535	Symon Shepherd [5]
	occ. 1548	Thos Bury [6]

PREB. OF COPPENHALL

	occ. 1533	John Tryguram [7]
	occ. 1535	Maurice Neywey [8]
18 June 1547 ff.	occ. 1548	Rich Walker [9]

PREB. OF DUNSTON

	occ. 1533	Robt Tatton [10]
	occ. 1535 occ. 1548	Wm Tatton [11]

PREB. OF LONGRIDGE

	occ. 1533-5	John Hareden [12]
23 June 1541 ff.	occ. 1548	Hen Averey [13]

PREB. OF PENKRIDGE

	occ. 1533-5	Hugh Elves [14]
29 July 1547 ff.	occ. 1548	John Lyttelton B.C.L. [15]

PREB. OF SHARESHILL

	occ. 1533-5	Robt Fitzsymon [16]
14 July 1542 ff.		Thos Webbe [17]
27 Sep. 1542 ff.		Thos Machin

PREB. OF STRETTON

	occ. 1533-48	Anthony Skevyngton [18]

CANONS RESIDENTIARY [19]

	occ. 1533-1548	Thos Webbe [17]
	occ. 1535-1548	Wm Yate [20]

SEXTON

	occ. 1548	Thos Meke [21]

PENKRIDGE

PREB. OF CONGREVE

occ. 1533 Hugh Willows *
occ. 1535 Symon Shepherd *
occ. 1548 Thos Bury *

PREB. OF COPPENHALL

occ. 1533 John Tryssman *
occ. 1535 Maurice Neywey *
18 June 1542 fl. occ. 1548 Rich Walker *

PREB. OF DUNSTON

occ. 1533 Robt Tatton [14]
occ. 1535 occ. 1548 Wm Tatton [14]

PREB. OF LONGRIDGE

occ. 1533-5 John Harsden [14]
23 June 1542 fl. occ. 1548 Hen Averey [14]

PREB. OF PENKRIDGE

occ. 1533-5 Hugh Elves [14]
20 July 1542 fl. occ. 1548 John Lyttelton B.C.L. [14]

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SEXTON

occ. 1548 Thos Meke [21]

VICARS CHORAL

occ. 1533		Hen. Whytewyke [22]
occ. 1533-48		Hen Averey [13]
occ. 1533		Robt Torlton
occ. 1533		Thos Fyssher
occ. 1548		Edmund Moreton [23]
occ. 1548		John Russell [24]
occ. 1548		Wm Graunger [25]

DEACON

occ. 1548		Roger Morton [26]

VICARS

20 July 1548		Thos Bolte B.D. [27]
c. 1548		Rich Walker [28]
15 Mar. 1548-9		Thos Sall [29]
occ. 1555-9		Nich Chedulton [30]
occ. 1578		James Riddings [31]
occ. 1593	bur. 28 Jan. 1597-8	Geo. Horden [32]
occ. 1604		— Johnson [33]
	bur. 20 Ap. 1634	Thos Leese
occ. 1635	bur. 6 Aug. 1643	John Creeke [34]
	deprived c. 1646	a vicar [35]
occ. 1646	bur. 5 Nov. 1673	Nathaniel Hinde M.A.? [36]

CURATES

20 July 1548		Wm Graunger [25]
occ. 1604-10		Michael Parkes B.A.? [37]

THE MORROW MASS PRIEST

Certified in 1548 that this priest was appointed by the inhabitants of Penkridge and was endowed with a yearly rent of 3*s.* 4*d.* from lands that had been given by persons then unknown (*b*). Subsequent returns show that this rent was from a cottage in Whiston let for 3*s.* 8*d.* (*r*, *t*).

INCUMBENTS

None known

VICARS CHORAL

occ. 1533	Hen. Whytewyke[22]
occ. 1533-48	Hen Averey[12]
occ. 1533	Robt Tertion
occ. 1533	Thos Fysaher
occ. 1548	Edmund Moreton[23]
occ. 1548	John Russell[23]
occ. 1548	Wm Granuger[23]

DEACON

occ. 1548	Roger Morton[23]

VICARS

20 July 1548		Thos Botte B.D.[27]
c. 1548		Rich Walker[23]
15 Mar. 1548-9		Thos Sall[23]
occ. 1555-9		Nich Chedulton[20]
occ. 1578		James Riddings[21]
occ. 1593	bur. 28 Jan. 1597-8	Geo. Harden[23]
occ. 1604		— Johnson[23]
	bur. 20 Ap. 1634	Thos Leese
occ. 1635	bur. 6 Aug. 1643	John Creeke[24]
	deprived c. 1646	a vicar[23]
occ. 1646	bur. 5 Nov. 1673	Nathaniel Hinde M.A.?[29]

CURATES

20 July 1548	Wm Granuger[23]
occ. 1604-10	Michael Parkes B.A.?[27]

THE MORROW MASS PRIEST

Certified in 1548 that this priest was appointed by the inhabitants of Penkridge and was endowed with a yearly rent of 3s. 4d. from lands that had been given by persons then unknown (6). Subsequent returns show that this rent was from a cottage in Whiston let for 3s. 8d. (8, 1).

INCUMBENTS

None known

THE TRINITY PRIEST

Perhaps identical with the Morrow Mass Priest. Discovered in 1552 that there was a stock of kine at Penkridge in the hands of Rich Hare, Robt More, Gyles Cowley, Thos Burye, and Thos Collyns from the profits of which a salary of 8 marks yearly was paid to the Trinity priest here (*h*, *m*).

INCUMBENTS

None known

THE TRINITY GUILD

Discovered in 1552 that this guild was endowed with a messuage and lands at Whiston let to John Butler for 7*s.*; also with 15 kine and 20*l.* in money (*h*, *l*, *m*).

THE ORGAN PLAYER

Discovered in 1552 that the organ player here was endowed with certain lands in Brewood parish let to John Bickeford for 4 marks (*h*) or John Bukeford for 53*s.* 4*d.* (*l*).

BICKFORD (?) CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563. In April 1553 John Sale, priest, Thos Watteson(?), Wm Foxhole, John (*illegible*) and (*illegible*) "sworne and examyned say vpon theyr othes that ther ys wythyn Bydford chappell" some goods or ornaments which are now illegible (*n*).[38]

CHAPLAIN

(occ. 1553 John Sale)?[38]

COPPENHALL CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure. Certified in May 1548 to have a mansion house for the priest, commonly called the vicar of Coppenhall, with lands and tithes, worth 4*l.*, for his maintenance. There were 2 bells but no (*sic*) plate or ornaments. It had all the rights of a parish church except burials.[39] On 20 July 1548 the commissioners ordered that the then curate should continue to serve this chapel at his old salary.[40] Early in 1553 the vicar admitted the possession of some of the ornaments discovered by the commissioners later on in that year (*n*). The

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INCUMBENTS

None known

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CHAPLAIN

(*occ.* 1553 John Sale)?**

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status of this chapel *temp.* P. & M. is very fully detailed in the Chancery suit printed in *S. H. C.*, IX, n.s., p. 7; cf. XII, p. 214.

Ch. Orn., c. May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments, 1 of blue worsted, 1 of linen cloth; 1 albe; 2 amices; 1 towel; 2 altar cloths; 1 copper cross; 1 yellow silk cope; 1 brass censer; 1 bell; 1 sanctus bell.

CURATES

occ. 1533-1553	Rich Palmer [41]
occ. 1604	a curate [42]
occ. 1651-2	John Adams B.A.? [43]
occ. 1666	John Sherratt

DUNSTON CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Ch. Orn., April 1553, as certified by Edward Fletche, priest, and others: 1 chalice and (*illegible*); 2 bells. The chapel is (covered?) with tyle (*n*).

Between 1563 and 1651 this chapel does not occur in any return that the present writer has seen.

CURATES

occ. 1533	John Rawbon [44]
(occ. 1553	Edw Fletche)? [45]
occ. c. 1650	John Povey [46]
(c. 1665	no curate)? [36]

LEVEDALE CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563 or subsequently.

Discovered in 1552 & 1553 that there was a meadow in Bradeley parish, belonging to this chapel, called S. Laurence meadow, let at 2*s.* or 20 pence p.a. to Rich Lattner or Latnar or Lactene, the rent of which "hath ben emplowed in the Rogacon weke to make the Priests, Clerks and theyr Company to drynke" (*h, l, m, n*).

STRETTON CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Certified in May 1548 to possess a mansion house for the priest, commonly called the vicar of Stretton, land & tithes

status of this chapel temp. P. & M. is very fully detailed in the Chancery suit printed in S. H. C., ix, n.s., p. 7; cf. xii, p. 214.

Ch. Orn., c. May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments, 1 of blue worsted, 1 of linen cloth; 1 alb; 2 amices; 1 towel; 2 altar cloths; 1 copper cross; 1 yellow silk cope; 1 brass censer; 1 bell; 1 sanctus bell.

CURATES

occ. 1533-1553	Rich Palmer **
occ. 1604	a curate **
occ. 1631-2	John Adams B.A.? **
occ. 1666	John Sherratt

DUNSTON CHAPEL.

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Ch. Orn., April 1553, as certified by Edward Fletcher, priest, and others: 1 chalice and (illegible); 2 bells. The chapel is (covered?) with tyle (x).

Between 1563 and 1631 this chapel does not occur in any return that the present writer has seen.

CURATES

occ. 1533	John Hawson **
(occ. 1553	Edw Fletcher)? **
occ. c. 1650	John Povey **
(c. 1665	no curate)? **

LEVEDALE CHAPEL.

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STRETTON CHAPEL.

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Certified in May 1548 to possess a mansion house for the priest, commonly called the vicar of Stretton, land & tithes

for his maintenance, worth 3*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* p.a. (3*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* in the Rental, where it has been struck through with a pen), 2 bells, but no (*sic*) plate or ornaments. The chapel had all the sacraments & rights of a parish church, except burials. The vicar was not presented, but appointed by the preb. of Stretton (*b*, *c*).

On 20 July 1548 the commissioners ordered that the then curate should continue to serve this chapel at his old salary.[40] Early in 1553 the curate—S. Byrch—with others swore that " ther ys Remaynyng Wythin the said Chappell ii bells, one chales and one suyte of ornaments in the hands of Frauncis (*illegible*) " (*n*).

Ch. Orn., c. May 1553: 2 vestments; 2 albes; 2 amices; 3 altar cloths; 1 towel; 2 corporals with their cases; 1 censer; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 1 bell. One bell had been sold with the consent of all the inhabitants of Stretton and the proceeds spent in the maintenance of the chapel.

CURATES

occ. 1533-56	Sampson Byrch[47]
occ. 1604	a curate[48]
occ. 1651-2	Abram Berwick M.A.?[49]
(occ. 1666	no curate)?[36]

NOTES

[1] *Fee Farm*, no. 117.

[2] Some particulars as to the lay farmers of these prebends temp. Edw VI are given in *Leases*, 1, no. 56.

[3] **Dublin.** As dean here his salary was 1*l.* 4*s.* 0*d.* in 1548 (*c*), received pension of same amount (*p*).

[4] **Wellows.** Magister, paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

[5] **Shepherd.** King's chaplain.

[6] **Bury.** Salary 51*s.*; pension 50*s.* 1548 (*c*, *p*).

[7] **Tryguram.** Magister, paid tax of 20*s.* in 1533.

[8] **Neywey,** Nevwey.

[9] **Walker.** Educated at the school of S. John's Hospital, Lichfield, protégé and executor of bp Rowland Lee, preb of Prees 1542-67, archd. of Stafford 1547-67; fourth dean of Chester; held other preferments; subscribed 1559; buried in Lichfield cathedral 23 Sep. 1567; benefactor to Lichfield cathedral, corporation and grammar school (*Harwood*, pp. 211, 470). Salary as prebend here 1548 9*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.*

(*c*); pension 6*l*. (*p*, *q*); appointed vicar of Penkridge c. 1548 (*see note* 28).

[10] **Tatton** (Robt). Magister, paid tax of 3*s*. 6½*d*. in 1533.

[11] **Tatton** (Wm). Layman of the King's House (*Valor*); salary 1548 8*l*. 15*s*. 4*d*. (*c*); pension 6*l*. (*p*).

[12] **Hareden.** Layman? of the Savoy, London; paid tax of 3*s*. 6½*d*. in 1533.

[13] **Averey,** Averall. Paid tax of 6*s*. 2½*d*. as vicar choral in 1533. In 1548 vicar choral for preb. of Dunston, salary 53*s*. 4*d*. (*d*), pension same (*p*); also preb. of Longridge 1541-48, salary 29*s*. 4*d*. (*c*). As Averell probably subscribed 1559.

[14] **Elves,** Elys. Layman? of the Angles in Northwall, Dublin; paid tax of 3*s*. 6½*d*. in 1533.

[15] **Lyttelton.** Perhaps B.C.L. 1532 Ox.; canon of Exeter, vicar of Montford, Salop, died 1560 (*Foster*). In 1548 salary 61*s*. 4*d*. (*c*); pension 60*s*. (*p*).

[16] **Fitzsymon.** Magister, of Ireland; paid tax of 8*s*. in 1533.

[17] **Webbe.** Paid tax of 5*s*. 4*d*. as resident canon in 1533; remained such till 1548 at a salary of 6*l*. 11*s*. 2¼*d*. (*c*); also rector of Haughton 1541-50; preb. of Shareshill for a short time in 1542.

[18] **Skevyngton,** Skevynton. Magister, paid tax of 8*s*. 10½*d*. in 1533, salary 1548 5*l*. 9*s*. 4*d*. (*c*); pension 5*l*. (*p*).

[19] Only one resident canon is named in the 1533 return.

[20] **Yate.** Probably vicar choral at Stafford in 1533; in 1548 salary 6*l*. 16*s*. 4¼*d*. (*c*); pension 6*l*. (*p*).

[21] **Meke.** In 1548 salary and pension was 68*s*. (*c*, *p*, *q*). Possibly subscribed at Lichfield 1559—surname is very illegible.

[22] **Whytewyke.** *See* **Tettenhall,** *note* 23. The tax paid by the four vicars choral in 1533 was 6*s*. 2½*d*. each.

[23] **Moreton.** Vicar choral for preb. of Stretton; salary 5*l*.; pension the same (*c*, *p*).

[24] **Russell.** Vicar choral for preb. of Coppenhall; salary 5*l*.; pen sion 5*l*. (*c*, *p*, *q*). *See* **Colwich.**

[25] **Graunger.** Vicar choral for preb. of Penkridge; salary 5*l*.; pension 5*l*. (*c*, *p*). On 20 July 1548 the commissioners appointed him assistant minister here at a salary of 8*l*. (*Grants*; cf. *Fee Farm*, 117).

[26] **Morton.** Salary 2*l*. (*d*); pension 2*l*. (*p*).

[27] **Bolt,** late preb. of Blurton, Stafford, was appointed vicar here on 20 July 1548 at a salary of 16*l*. by the commissioners (*Grants*; cf. *Fee Farm*, 117). *See* **Church Eaton.**

[28] **Walker.** (*See note* 9.) Bolt could not have retained the vicarage many months, for on 15 Mar. 1548-9 Forsett reports to the afore-named commissioners that Walker (who had been appointed vicar by them) could not accept the appointment as he was already

(e); pension 6l. (b, d); appointed vicar of Penkridge c. 1548 (see note 28).

[10] **Tatton** (Robt). Magister, paid tax of 3s. 6½d. in 1533.

[11] **Tatton** (Wm). Layman of the King's House (Fabr); salary 1548 8l. 15s. 4d. (e); pension 6l. (b).

[12] **Hareden**. Layman? of the Savoy, London; paid tax of 3s. 6½d. in 1533.

[13] **Averey**, Averall. Paid tax of 6s. 2½d. as vicar choral in 1533. In 1548 vicar choral for preb. of Dunston, salary 33s. 4d. (d), pension same (b); also preb. of Longridge 1541-48, salary 19s. 4d. (e). As Averell probably subscribed 1559.

[14] **Elves**, Elys. Layman of the Angles in Northwall, Dublin; paid tax of 3s. 6½d. in 1533.

[15] **Lyttelton**. Perhaps B.C.L. 1532 Ox.; canon of Exeter, vicar of Monford, Salop, died 1560 (Foster). In 1548 salary 6l. 4d. (e); pension 60s. (b).

[16] **Fitzsymon**. Magister, of Ireland; paid tax of 8s. in 1533.

[17] **Webbe**. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. as resident canon in 1533; remained such till 1548 at a salary of 6l. 11s. 2½d. (e); also rector of Haughton 1531-50; preb. of Sharcshill for a short time in 1542.

[18] **Skevyngton**, Skevynton. Magister, paid tax of 8s. 10½d. in 1533, salary 1548 5l. 9s. 4d. (e); pension 5l. (b).

[19] Only one resident canon is named in the 1533 return.

[20] **Yate**. Probably vicar choral at Stafford in 1533; in 1548 salary 6l. 16s. 4½d. (e); pension 6l. (b).

[21] **Mele**. In 1548 salary and pension was 65s. (e, b). Possibly subscribed at Lichfield 1559—surname is very illegible.

[22] **Whywyke**. See Tettenhall, note 23. The tax paid by the four vicars choral in 1533 was 6s. 2½d. each.

[23] **Moreton**. Vicar choral for preb. of Stretton; salary 5l.; pension the same (e, b).

[24] **Russell**. Vicar choral for preb. of Coppenhall; salary 5l.; pension 5l. (e, b). See Colwich.

[25] **Granger**. Vicar choral for preb. of Penkridge; salary 5l.; pension 5l. (e, b). On 20 July 1548 the commissioners appointed him assistant minister here at a salary of 8l. (Grants; cl. Fee Farm, 117).

[26] **Morton**. Salary 4l. (b); pension 2l. (b).

[27] **Bolt**, late preb. of Blurton, Stafford, was appointed vicar here on 20 July 1548 at a salary of 16l. by the commissioners (Grants; cl. Fee Farm, 117). See Church Eaton.

[28] **Walker**. (See note 9.) Bolt could not have retained the vicarage many months; for on 15 Mar. 1548-9 Forcett reports to the above-named commissioners that Waller (who had been appointed vicar by them) could not accept the appointment as he was already

beneficed and states there is none other living in this collegiate church who is meet for the cure (*d*).

[29] **Sall.** Forsett continues his report (*see note* 28) by saying that Thomas Sall, a prebendary of Stafford, is mete for this cure by the report of divers honest and learned men (*d*). *See* **Church Eaton.** He was in fact master of S. Nicholas' chapel at Stafford and not a prebendary.

[30] **Chedulton.** Occurs as curate in will of John Fletcher of P., pr. 1555; subscribed 1559.

[31] **Riddings.** *Memorials of Old Staffordshire*, p. 145. *See* **Norbury.**

[32] **Horden.** Scholaris ruralis, male conversationis ut certificatione testatur, penitus illiteratus; ordained by Wm, bp of Chester.

[33] **Johnson.** Preacher, salary 16*l.* (1604 *return*).

[34] **Creeke,** Creeg, Cregg. Described as one of the pastors here in parish register, the father of the rector of Bramshall, q.v.; perhaps came here from King's Sutton, Northants.

[35] Vicar. Not named, deprived c. 1646 (*Compounding*, pp. 2484-5).

[36] **Hinde.** Probably M.A. 1630 Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Appointed by the committee for plundered ministers, who had deprived his unknown predecessor (*Compounding*, pp. 2484-5). On 26 Sep. 1646 this committee granted him 50*l.* p.a. out of this impropriate rectory, sequestered from Sir Edw Littleton bart., delinquent, as his salary was but 24*l.* p.a. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, pp. 196, 209, F. 2, p. 180; *Bod. MSS.* 323, p. 359; cf. 325, p. 277.) On 22 Sep. 1652 his salary was made up to 100*l.* p.a. out of the tithes of the prebs. of Hilton and Featherstone (*Compounding*, pp. 2484-5). He signed the testimony in 1648 and frequently certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1658 (*Lamb. MS.* 999), so perhaps it is noteworthy that he baptized his own and other children here throughout the Interregnum. In 1661 he paid a subsidy of 10*s.* 0*d.* and in 1666 a tax on 3 hearths. In this last year he certified the number of hearths at Stretton and Dunston, so it is probable that there were no curates there in 1666.

[37] **Parkes.** Probably B.A. 1597-8 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Preacher, assistant to Mr Johnson, wages 8*l.* (1604 *return*); signs the register as vicar in 1605 and 1610, so perhaps succeeded Johnson as vicar.

[38] **"Bydford"** is not specifically mentioned as being within Penkridge parish, but the same informers report upon the goods in Pelsall. Hence it must have been in the neighbourhood of Pelsall and it seems likely that Bickford in Penkridge parish is meant. Sale was not the incumbent of Pelsall, so it is probable that he was the incumbent of this chapel.

beneficed and states there is none other living in this collegiate church who is meet for the cure (4).

[20] Sall. Forrett continues his report (see note 28) by saying that Thomas Sall, a prebendary of Stafford, is meete for this cure by the report of divers honest and learned men (4); See Church Eaton. He was in fact master of S. Nicholas' chapel at Stafford and not a prebendary.

[21] Credulton. Occurs as curate in will of John Belcher of P., pr. 1555; subscribed 1559.

[22] Riddings, *Memorials of Old Staffordshire*, p. 145; See Norbury.

[23] Horden. Scholaris rudis, rude convertisionis et certificationis testatur, penitus illiteratus; ordained by Wm. bp of Chester.

[24] Johnson. Preacher, salary 16l. (1604 return).

[25] Creeke, Creeg, Creage. Described as one of the pastors here in parish register, the father of the rector of Bramshall, q.v.; perhaps came here from King's Sutton, Northants.

[26] Vicar. Not named, deprived c. 1640 (Compounding, pp. 2484-5).

[27] Hilde. Probably M.A. 1630 Emmanu. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Appointed by the committee for plundered ministers, who had deprived his unknown predecessor (Compounding, pp. 2484-5). On 26 Sep. 1646 this committee granted him 50l. p.a. out of the impropriate rectory, sequestered from Sir Edw Littleton bart., delinquent, as his salary was but 24l. p.a. (S. P. Dom. Inter. E. 1, pp. 146, 209; T. 2, p. 180; Bod. MSS. 323, p. 350; cf. 325, p. 279.) On 22 Sep. 1654 his salary was made up to 100l. p.a. out of the tithes of the prebs. of Hilton and Featherstone (Compounding, pp. 2484-5). He signed the testimony in 1648 and frequently certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1656 (Lamb. MS. 909), so perhaps it is noteworthy that he baptized his own and other children there throughout the Interregnum. In 1661 he paid a subsidy of 12s. 6d. and in 1665 a tax on 3 hearths. In this last year he certified the number of hearths at Stretton and Dunston, so it is probable that there were no curates there in 1666.

[28] Parkes. Probably B.A. 1597-8 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn). Preacher, assistant to Mr Johnson, wages 8l. (1604 return); signs the register as vicar in 1605 and 1610, so perhaps succeeded Johnson as vicar.

[29] Bydford [?] is not specifically mentioned as being within Penkridge parish, but the same informers report upon the goods in Pelsall. Hence it must have been in the neighbourhood of Pelsall and it seems likely that Hickford in Penkridge parish is meant. Sale was not the incumbent of Pelsall, so it is probable that he was the incumbent of this chapel.

[39] (*b, c*). The stipend of 4*l.* is struck through in the Rental, no doubt because it was paid to the curate (*note* 40) and not to the Augmentation Department.

[40] *Grants.*

[41] **Palmer.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533. *See* **Seighford.**

[42] **Curate.** Not named, no preacher, stipend 4*l.* (1604 *return*).

[43] **Adams.** Perhaps born c. 1620, educated at Shrewsbury school, B.A. 1641-2 S. John's Coll. Camb., son of Thos Adams of Northwood, Salop (*Venn, Mayor*). A clerk of this name was buried 5 Ap. 1686 at Wolverhampton, q.v. One of this name B.A. 1650 Trin. Coll. Ox. (*Foster*). *See* **Gayton.**

[44] **Rawbon.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

[45] **Fletche.** Probably curate as he certifies the ornaments. *See* **Rugeley.**

[46] **Povey.** Perhaps matriculated 1624 Sidney Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Mentioned as last curate here (1651-2 *return*).

[47] **Byrch.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as curate here in 1533; occurs here as priest in Ap. 1553; is instituted to the vicarage of S. John Baptist, Stretton, on 15 Feb. 1555-6, patron the Crown (*Dioc. Reg.*).

[48] **Curate.** Not named, no preacher, layman, salary 3*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* (1604 *return*).

[49] **Berwick,** Barwicke. Probably B.A. 1624-5 Trin. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1634, fellow of Emmanuel Coll. (*Venn*). It should be noted that Hinde—vicar of Penkridge 1646-73—was a member of Emman. Coll.

PENN

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D., the church being impropriate to the vicars choral of Lichfield Cathedral.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments, 1 of green Turkish satin, 1 of red crewel; 1 red Bruges satin cope; 2 brazen candlesticks; 4 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell.

Ch. wds.: Wm Bradley & John Grove.

Patrons: 1554, 1573 John Leveson (cf. *S. H. C.*, XIII, p. 289), 1604 the said vicars, 1628 the bishop.

VICARS

	res. 1530	John Colmore [1]
26 Sep. 1530	ob. 1547	Robt Jakson [2]
21 July 1547	(eject. c. 1553)?	Rich Slany [3]
	c. 1553-4	no vicar [4]

[6, 6]. The stipend of £4 is struck through in the Rental, no doubt because it was paid to the curate (note 40) and not to the Augmentation Department.

[40] Grants.

[41] Palmer. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1533. See Seighford.

[42] Curate. Not named, no preacher, stipend £4 (1604 return).

[43] Adams. Perhaps born c. 1620, educated at Shrewsbury school, B.A. 1642-2 S. John's Coll. Camb., son of Thos Adams of Northwood, Salop (Venn, Alumni). A clerk of this name was buried 5 Ap. 1686 at Wolverhampton, q.v. One of this name B.A. 1650 Trin. Coll. Oxf. (Foster). See Gayton.

[44] Rawson. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1533.

[45] Fletche. Probably curate as he certifies the ornaments. See Rugeley.

[46] Povey. Perhaps matriculated 1624 Sidney Coll. Camb. (Venn). Mentioned as last curate here (1671-2 return).

[47] Byrch. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. as curate here in 1533; occurs here as priest in Ap. 1553; is instituted to the vicarage of S. John Baptist, Stretton, on 15 Feb. 1555-6, patron the Crown (Dioc. Reg.).

[48] Curate. Not named, no preacher, layman, salary £4. 3s. 4d. (1604 return).

[49] Berwick. Berwicke. Probably B.A. 1564-5 Trin. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1574 fellow of Emmanuel Coll. (Venn). It should be noted that Hinde—vicar of Penkridge 1573—was a member of Emmanuel Coll.

PENN

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D., the church being impropriate to the vicars choral of Lichfield Cathedral.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments, 1 of green Turkish satin, 1 of red crewel; 1 red Bruges satin cope; 2 brazen candlesticks; 4 bells (s); 1 sanctus bell.

Ch. wds.: Wm Bradley & John Grove.

Patrons: 1554, 1573 John Leveson (cf. S. M. C., xiii, p. 289), 1604 the said vicars, 1628 the bishop.

VICARS

	res. 1530	John Colmore [1]
26 Sep. 1530	ob. 1547	Robt Jackson [2]
21 July 1547	(elect. c. 1553)[3]	Rich Slany [4]
	c. 1553-4	no vicar [5]

28 June 1554	bur. 17 Nov. 1572	Thos Fox [5]
16 Ap. 1573	occ. 1620	Wm Taylor [6]
26 Ap. 1628		Ralph Swift [7]
28 Ap. 1628	(res. 1630)?	Sam Noell M.A. [8]
	seq. 1646	Chris Lee B.A.? or Sam Smith? [9]
16 Dec. 1646	ob. 1669	Chas Wynne B.A. [10]
8 June 1669		Edw Smith M.A. [11]

NOTES

[1] **Colmore.** *See* **Lichfield succentors.**

[2] **Jakson.** Paid tax of 7*s.* 1¼*d.* in 1533.

[3] **Slany.** Possibly this is an instance of ejection on Mary's accession as one of this name subscribed at Lichfield in 1559.

[4] Vicarage vacant 1 Mary (1553-4). *Subsidy* 271-5.

[5] **Fox.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533 as curate of Hopton; had salary of 4*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1548 (*d*), and received pension of 4*l.* as curate of Salt (*p*, *q*); subscribed 1559; buried at Stafford; will pr. at Stafford 1 Sep. 1573. One of this name matriculated 1546 Pemb. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[6] **Taylor.** Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris eruditus; no preacher (1604 *return*); ordained by Edwin, bp of Worc.; probably curate at Kingswinford 1568; perhaps buried at Wolverhampton 30 Dec. 1635. Vicarage worth 20*l.* in 1604.

[7] **Swift.** Probably matriculated 1618 University Coll. Ox., as commoner from co. York, aged 20 (*Foster*); ordained priest 6 Jan. 1624-5, then litteratum? musica artis and succentor at Lichfield from Ap. 1624.

[8] **Noell.** *See* **Mayfield.**

[9] **Smith.** On 16 Dec. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers reported that Samuel Smith, vicar of Penn, hath left or relinquished the said church. (*Bod. MS.* 324, p. 177.) On 8 Ap. 1647 Sarah the wife of Christopher Lee, from whom the vicarage of Penn is sequestered, begs this committee to let her have the full clear fifths of the living for her maintenance. (*Bod. MS.* 324, p. 425.) The writer cannot reconcile these statements, but it seems more probable that Smith was the correct name of the vicar and that he afterwards went to be minister at Kinver, q.v. Christopher Lee probably took his B.A. in 1627-8 from Magd. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[10] **Wynne,** Winne. Probably B.A. 1640-1, M.A. 1644 Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Appointed by the committee for plundered ministers with the approval of the Assembly of Divines. (*Bod. MS.* 324, p. 155.) As the vicarage was only worth 30*l.* os. o*d.* p.a., the said committee

28 June 1551	bur. 17 Nov. 1572	Thos. Fox [2]	
16 Ap. 1573	occ. 1620	Wm Taylor [3]	
26 Ap. 1628		Ralph Swift [4]	
28 Ap. 1628	(res. 1630)?	Sam Noell M.A. [5]	
	sep. 1645	Chris Lee B.A.? or Sam Smith? [6]	
16 Dec. 1646	ob. 1669	Chas Wynne B.A. [7]	
8 June 1669		Edw Smith M.A. [8]	

NOTES

[1] Colmore. See Lichfield succentors.

[2] Jackson. Paid tax of 7s. 4d. in 1533.

[3] Salary. Possibly this is an instance of election on Mary's accession as one of this name subscribed at Lichfield in 1559.

[4] Vicarage vacant 1 Mary (1553-4). Subsidy 27-8

[5] Fox. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1533 as curate of Hopton; had salary of 4l. 6s. 8d. in 1548 (a), and received pension of 4l. as curate of Salt (b. 9); subscribed 1559; buried at Stafford; will pr. at Stafford 1 Sep. 1573. One of this name matriculated 1546 Pemb. Coll. Cambr. (Venn).

[6] Taylor. Scholaris mutilis, in sacris litteris erudition; no preacher (1604 return); ordained by Edwin, bp of Worc.; probably curate at Kingswinford 1568; perhaps buried at Wolverhampton 29 Dec. 1633. Vicarage worth 20l. in 1604.

[7] Swift. Probably matriculated 1618 University Coll. Ox., as commoner from co. York, aged 20 (Foster); ordained priest 6 Jan. 1624-5, then litterarum musica artis and succentor at Lichfield from Ap. 1624.

[8] Noell. See Mayfield.

[9] Smith. On 16 Dec. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers reported that Samuel Smith, vicar of Penn, hath left or relinquished the said church. (Bod. MS. 324, p. 177.) On 8 Ap. 1647 Sarah the wife of Christopher Lee, from whom the vicarage of Penn is sequestered, begs this committee to let her have the full clear fifths of the living for her maintenance. (Bod. MS. 324, p. 425.) The writer cannot reconcile these statements, but it seems more probable that Smith was the correct name of the vicar and that he afterwards went to be minister at Kinver, q.v. Christopher Lee probably took his B.A. in 1629-8 from Magd. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[10] Wynne, Winne. Probably B.A. 1640-1, M.A. 1644 Emman. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Appointed by the committee for plundered ministers with the approval of the Assembly of Divines. (Bod. MS. 324, p. 155.) As the vicarage was only worth 30l. 0s. 0d. p.a., the said committee

augmented it in 1646 with the following sums, viz. 9*l.* os. o*d.* p.a. from the rent reserved to the vicars choral of Lichfield out of this impropriate rectory, 3*l.* os. o*d.* p.a. from the tithe corn sequestered from Col Levison and 38*l.* os. o*d.* p.a. from Penkridge rectory sequestered from Sir Edw Lyttelton, delinquent. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 357.) The 3*l.* os. o*d.* is omitted in *S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, p. 198. Payment of these amounts was ordered to Wynne in June 1650 (*Bod. MS.* 327, p. 480), but in Dec. 1650 it appears that the only augmentation made was the 9*l.* os. o*d.* p.a., which was then ordered to be paid (*Sion MS.*, p. 490). On 11 June 1651 he received an order for the payment of both the 9*l.* os. o*d.* and the 38*l.* augmentation from the committee for plundered ministers (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. 11, p. 357; *Bod. MS.* 328, p. 363), but the trustees apparently confined the augmentation to 9*l.* os. o*d.*, which they ordered to be paid in Mar. 1650-1, 25 July 1651, 4 Feb. 1651-2. (*Lamb. MSS.* 978, pp. 619, 623; 976, p. 330.) Also on 13 June 1651 they ordered the arrears of the 9*l.* os. o*d.* due 2 Feb. 1649-50 to be paid. (*Lamb. MS.* 979, p. 359.) In April 1654 Wynne pleads that he only had one payment of the 3*l.* os. o*d.* (*sic*) augmentation, viz. on 29 Sep. 1653, and begs for its continuance. (*Compounding*, p. 2485.) On 7 June 1654 he again receives an order for the 9*l.* os. o*d.* (*Lamb. MS.* 973, p. 678.) On 11 Oct. 1655 a fresh order was made by the trustees, under which apparently he received 8*l.* 18*s.* o*d.* p.a. till 1659 or later. (*Lamb. MSS.* 995, p. 230; 981, p. 20; cf. 994, p. 142.) He signed the testimony in 1648.

[11] **Smith** (Edward). Son of Edw Smith of Wombourn, matriculated 1661 at Magd. Hall, Ox., B.A. 1663, M.A. 1668 Magd. Coll. Camb. (*Foster*); ordained deacon 20 Dec. 1663; priest 18 Dec. 1664.

PIPE RIDWARE CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel, approp. to the preb. of Alrewas and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

In 1553 (*n*) and 1563 described as a chapel.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 chalice with a silver cup & tin foot; 2 Bruges satin vestments; 2 albes; 3 altar cloths; 1 dornex cope; 1 surplice; 2 towels; 2 lead cruets; 2 corporals with their burses; 2 little bells; 3 lesser bells. **Ch. wds.:** Raffe Cotton & Robt Aderley.

CURATES

occ. 1533-35	Rich Gestock
occ. 1604	a curate[1]

augmented it in 1646 with the following sums, viz. 9l. 0s. 0d. p.a. from the rent reserved to the vicars choral at Lichfield out of this impropriate rectory, 3l. 0s. 0d. p.a. from the tithe corn sequestered from Col Levison and 38l. 0s. 0d. p.a. from Penkridge rectory sequestered from Sir Edw Lyttelton, delinquent. (Bod. MS. 323, p. 357.) The 3l. 0s. 0d. is omitted in S. P. Dom. Inter. F. 1, p. 195. Payment of these amounts was ordered to Wynne in June 1650 (Bod. MS. 327, p. 460), but in Dec. 1650 it appears that the only augmentation made was the 9l. 0s. 0d. p.a., which was then ordered to be paid (Sion MS., p. 490). On 11 June 1651 he received an order for the payment of both the 9l. 0s. 0d. and the 38l. augmentation from the committee for plundered ministers (S. P. Dom. Inter. F. 2 pt. 11, p. 357; Bod. MS. 328, p. 363), but the trustees apparently confined the augmentation to 9l. 0s. 0d., which they ordered to be paid in Mar. 1650-1, as July 1651, 4 Feb. 1651-2 (Lamb. MSS. 978, pp. 619, 623; 979, p. 330.) Also on 13 June 1651 they ordered the arrears of the 9l. 0s. 0d. due 2 Feb. 1649-50 to be paid. (Lamb. MS. 979, p. 359.) In April 1654 Wynne pleads that he only had one payment of the 3l. 0s. 0d. (sic) augmentation, viz. on 29 Sep. 1653, and begs for its continuance. (Cowperwallin, p. 243.) On 7 June 1654 he again receives an order for the 9l. 0s. 0d. (Lamb. MS. 979, p. 679.) On 11 Oct. 1655 a fresh order was made by the trustees, under which apparently he received 8l. 18s. 0d. p.a. till 1659 or later. (Lamb. MSS. 995, p. 230; 987, p. 20; cl. 994, p. 142.) He signed the testimony in 1648.

[11] **Smith** (Edward), Son of Edw Smith of Wombourn, matriculated 1667 at Magd. Hall, Ox., B.A. 1673, M.A. 1668 Magd. Coll. Camb. (Foster); ordained deacon 20 Dec. 1673; priest 18 Dec. 1674.

PIPE RIDWARE CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel, approp. to the preb. of Alrewas and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

In 1553 (n) and 1563 described as a chapel.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 chalice with a silver cup & tin foot; 2 Bridges satin vestments; 2 albes; 3 altar cloths; 1 dauncy cope; 1 surplice; 2 towels; 2 lead crucis; 2 corporals with their bursses; 2 little bells; 3 lesser bells. **Ch. wds.**: Ralfe Cotton & Robt Aderley.

CURATES

occ. 1533-35	Rich Gestock
occ. 1604	a curate[1]

occ. 1625-62	Robt Lyon [2]
occ. 1665	Josias Dhand? [3]
occ. 1680-1700	Job Seyton

NOTES

[1] **Curate.** Not named, no preacher.
[2] **Lyon.** Paid 2*s.* 6*d.* in Jan. 1661-2.
[3] **Dhand.** Probably a mistake for Deane, the curate at Armitage.

ROCESTER

In 1563 a vicarage, with one annexed chapel at Bradley-in-the-moors, in Leek D., formerly approp. to the Abbey of Rocester.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 4 vestments; 2 albes; 1 Bruges satin cope; 1 pair of brass censers; 1 ship; 1 brass bucket; 1 brass pyx; 1 pewter cruet; 2 corporals; 3 altar cloths; 2 altar cloths for short altars; 3 bells (*s*); 1 sacring bell; 1 hand bell; 2 crosses. **Ch. wds.:** James Les & Thos Grenne.

VICARS

occ. 1533		Thos Mecocke [1]
occ. May 1549		John Garbet [2]
occ. c. 1558-9		Rich Sewer [3]
occ. Aug. 1559		Wm Okeden [4]
at Xmas 1559		no vicar [5]
occ. 1560-3		a vicar [6]
occ. 1563		Peter Mynsh [7]
19 Jan. 1565-6	bur. 25 Ap. 1621	Robt Smith [8]
occ. 1629		Thos Holmes B.A.? [9]
occ. 1639-45		Thos Benteley [10]
occ. 1647-51-2		John Hill [11]
6 Oct. 1677	occ. 1699	Elias Poynton [12]
1699		Geo Lindley

BRADLEY-IN-THE-MOORS CHAPEL

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 old vestments; 3 old albes; 3 amices; 3 fans; 2 stoles; 2 altar cloths; 2 undercloths for altars; 1 cope; 2 corporals with 1 case; 3 towels; 2 small bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell (*s*); 1 hand bell; 1

occ. 1623-62	Robt Lyon [a]
occ. 1665	Joseph Dhand? [b]
occ. 1680-1700	Job Seyton

NOTES

[a] Curate. Not named, no preacher.
[b] Lyon. Paid 2s. 6d. in Jan. 1681-2.
[c] Dhand. Probably a mistake for Deane, the curate at Armitage.

ROCHESTER

In 1563 a vicarage, with one annexed chapel at Bradley-in-the-moors, in Lock D., formerly approp. to the Abbey of Rocester.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1533: 1 silver chalice with paten; 4 vestments; 2 albes; 1 Burges satin cope; 1 pair of brass censers; 1 ship; 1 brass bucket; 1 brass pyx; 1 pewter cruet; 2 corporals; 3 altar cloths; 2 altar cloths for short altars; 3 bells (s); 1 sacring bell; 1 hand bell; 2 crosses. Ch. wds.: James Les & Thos Greene.

VICARS

occ. 1533	Thos Meacoke [1]
occ. May 1549	John Garbet [2]
occ. c. 1559-9	Rich Sewer [3]
occ. Aug. 1559	Wm Okeden [4]
at Xmas 1559	no vicar [5]
occ. 1560-3	a vicar [6]
occ. 1563	Peter Myrall [7]
19 Jan. 1565-6 but 25 Ap. 1567	Robt Smith [8]
occ. 1629	Thos Holmes B.A.? [9]
occ. 1639-45	Thos Bentley [10]
occ. 1647-51-3	John Hill [11]
6 Oct. 1677 occ. 1699	Elias Foynton [12]
1699	Geo Lindley

BRADLEY-IN-THE-MOORS CHAPEL

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1533: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 old vestments; 3 old albes; 3 amices; 3 fans; 2 stoles; 2 altar cloths; 2 undercloths for altars; 1 cope; 2 corporals with 1 case; 3 towels; 2 small bells (s); 1 sanctus bell (s); 1 hand bell; 1

sacring bell; 1 other little bell; 1 chrismatory; 1 pewter cruet; 1 brass pyx; 2 old surplices. **Ch. wds.:** John Sherat & Robt Snape.

CURATES

occ. 1560	w.p. 6 Nov. 1568	Geo Gee [13]
occ. 1593		Rich Pygot M.A.? [14]
occ. 1602		Rich Tetlow B.A. [15]
occ. 1620		Timothy Rawlin [16]
occ. c. 1650?		Wm Dicken [17]
in 1651-2		no curate [18]
occ. 1685-1694		Thos Hinkley [19]

NOTES

[1] **Mecocke.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as curate here in 1533.

[2] **Garbet.** Mentioned as curate and priest here in the will of Wm Bott pr. 1549.

[3] **Sewer.** Received the salary of 66*s.* 8*d.* from the Exchequer (*Ministers' Accounts, Eliz.* 2015, for the year ending Michaelmas 1559). *See note* 6.

[4] **Okeden.** Mentioned as curate in the will of John Bott pr. 1560.

[5] *Subsidy* 19-507.

[6] The aforementioned salary of 66*s.* 8*d.* was regularly paid to a vicar here (*unnamed*) for many years (*Ministers' Accounts, Eliz.* 2016-20). It was charged upon certain property lately belonging to Rocester Priory. (*Leases*, 1, No. 37.)

[7] **Mynsh.** Paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* as curate in 1563 (19-515).

[8] **Smith.** Scholaris ruralis, non exhibuit certiorem vite, omnino indoctus; no preacher, no degree (1602-4 *returns*), ordained by Thos Bentham; will pr. 26 Ap. 1621; salary 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (1602 *return*).

[9] **Holmes.** Probably ordained deacon 18 Dec. 1624, as B.A., priest 9 Mar. 1627-8. Four men of this name matriculated at Camb. between 1602 and 1611, two of them taking degrees (*Venn*).

[10] **Benteley.** Probably either curate at Ipstones 1620 or son of Thos Benteley of Dilhorne. If the latter, he matriculated 1637 at Oxford, aged 17 (*Foster*).

[11] **Hill.** *See* **Ellastone.**

[12] **Poynton.** *See* **Croxden.**

[13] **Gee.** Mentioned in Act Book on 10 Feb. 1559-60; regularly received salary of 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* from Exchequer like the vicar (*notes* 3 and 6); will dated 1 Oct. 1568.

[14] **Pygot.** Perhaps M.A. 1591 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Did not appear for examination in 1593.

[15] **Tetlow.** B.A., no preacher, salary 8*l.* (1602 *return*). *See* **Caldon.**

sacring bell; 1 other little bell; 1 chrismatory; 1 pewter cruet; 1 brass pyx; 2 old surplices. Ch. wds.: John Sherat & Robt Snape.

CURATES

occ. 1560	w.p. 6 Nov. 1568	Geo Gee [1]
occ. 1593		Rich Pyrot M.A.? [2]
occ. 1602		Rich Tetlow B.A. [3]
occ. 1620		Timothy Rawlin [4]
occ. c. 1650?		Wm Dickon [5]
in 1651-2		no curate [6]
occ. 1683-1694		Thos Hinkley [7]

NOTES

[1] **Mercoke.** Paid tax of 5s. 4d. as curate here in 1533.

[2] **Darbet.** Mentioned as curate and priest here in the will of Wm Bott pr. 1549.

[3] **Sewer.** Received the salary of 66s. 8d. from the Exchequer (Ministers' Accounts, Eliz. 2013), for the year ending Michaelmas 1559). See note 6.

[4] **Okeden.** Mentioned as curate in the will of John Bott pr. 1560.

[5] **Sudsbiy** 1[illegible]-507.

[6] The aforementioned salary of 66s. 8d. was regularly paid to a vicar here (unnamed) for many years (Ministers' Accounts, Eliz. 2016-20). It was charged upon certain property lately belonging to Rocester Priory. (Lansd. 3, No. 37.)

[7] **Mynsh.** Paid subsidy of 6s. 8d. as curate in 1693 (19-512).

[8] **Smith.** Scholaris ruralis, non exhibuit certificatum vitæ, omnino indoctus; no preacher, no degree (1602-4 returns), ordained by Thos Bentham; will pr. 26 Ap. 1621; salary 6l. 13s. 4d. (1602 returns).

[9] **Holmes.** Probably ordained deacon 18 Dec. 1624, as B.A., priest 9 Mar. 1627-8. Four men of this name matriculated at Camb. between 1602 and 1611, two of them taking degrees (Venn).

[10] **Bentley.** Probably either curate at Ilstones 1620 or son of Thos Bentley of Dilhorne. If the latter, he matriculated 1597 at Oxford, aged 17 (Foster).

[11] **Hill.** See **Ellastone.**

[12] **Poynton.** See **Croxden.**

[13] **Gee.** Mentioned in Act Book on 10 Feb. 1559-60; regularly received salary of 3l. 6s. 8d. from Exchequer like the vicar (notes 3 and 6); will dated 1 Oct. 1568.

[14] **Pyrot.** Perhaps M.A. 1591 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn). Did not appear for examination in 1593.

[15] **Tetlow.** B.A., no preacher, salary 8l. (1602 returns). See **Caldon.**

[16] **Rawlin.** Reader (1620 *return*).

[17] **Dicken.** The last curate here before the winter of 1651-2 (*Return of* 1651-2). *See* **Maer.**

[18] No curate here in winter of 1651-2 (*ibid.*).

[19] **Hinkley.** Also curate of Croxden (q.v.); probably served both places c. 1652-94.

ROLLESTON

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 suites of vestments, 1 of green silk, 1 of black silk, 1 of red scarlet cloth; 2 copes, 1 of black silk, 1 of " rawe " silk in the upper part & linen cloth in the lower part; 4 altar cloths; 2 tin candlesticks; 4 towels; 2 corporals with cases; 2 pewter cruets; 2 crosses; 2 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 1 hand bell. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Brakelley & John Townessend.

Patrons: The Crown (Duchy of Lancaster).

RECTORS

	res. 1529	Wm Mulder
23 Ap. 1529	ob. 1543	Wm Nuthedde [1]
3 Feb. 1543-4		Nich Morrey
10 Ap. 1554	ob. 1579	Thos Bolte B.D. [2]
4 May 1580 ff.	bur. 4 May 1615	Edw Rolleston M.A. [3]
15 Sep. 1615	occ. 1646	Walter Biddulph B.D.? [4]
occ. 1651-2		Rich Newman [5]
occ. 1654		Joseph Heming [6]
13 May 1657	eject. 1661	Thos Bakewell M.A.? [7]
1661	bur. 4 Sep. 1677	Wm Squire M.A. [8]
17 Nov. 1677	bur. 1692	Thos Wickham M.A [9]

PRIEST THERE

w.p. 15 July 1559	Rich Mason [10]

CURATE

occ. 1620	Anthony Harredye

ANSLOW CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563 return.

Called " Kinnersley's " Chantry in 1546 and then reported to

[16] Rawlin. Reader (1620 return).

[17] Dicken. The last curate here before the winter of 1651-2 (Return of 1651-2). See Mace.

[18] No curate here in winter of 1651-2 (ibid.).

[19] Hinkley. Also curate of Crosden (q.v.); probably served both places c. 1652-9.

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Patrons: The Crown (Duchy of Lancaster).

RECTORS

	res. 1529	Wm Mulder
23 Ap. 1529	ob. 1543	Wm Nutladde [1]
3 Feb. 1543-4		Nich Morey
10 Ap. 1554	ob. 1579	Thos Botte B.D. [2]
4 May 1580 ff.	bur. 4 May 1615	Edw Rolleston M.A. [3]
15 Sep. 1615	occ. 1646	Walter Biddulph B.D. [4]
occ. 1651-2		Rich Newman [5]
occ. 1654		Joseph Hemling [6]
13 May 1657	eject. 1661	Thos Bakewell M.A. [7]
1661	bur. 4 Sep. 1677	Wm Squire M.A. [8]
17 Nov. 1677	bur. 1692	Thos Wickham M.A. [9]

PRIEST THERE

w.p. 15 July 1559 Rich Mason [10]

CURATE

occ. 1620 Anthony Harradye

ANSLOW CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563 return.

Called "Kinnersley's" Chantry in 1546 and then reported to

have been founded by Elizabeth, relict of Thos Penyfather, to find an honest priest to sing divine service in the chapel of S. Leonard at Anslow in the parish of Rolleston. In 1546 the endowment was worth 8*s.* 11½*d.* net p.a. (*a*), though in the reigns of Mary & Elizabeth it is certified at about 4*l.* 15*s.* 0*d.*[11]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1535	Rich Wayne[12]
occ. 1548	Geo Woodward[13]
occ. 1651-2 (bur. 18 Jan. 1658-9)?	Robt Barber[14]

NOTES

[1] **Nuthedde,** Nutched, Nuthed, Nyckted. Paid tax of 36*s.* in 1533. Owed 46*s.* 8*d.* by the abbot of Dieulacres in 1538. (*Sleigh*, p. 69.)

[2] **Bolte.** *See* **Church Eaton.** His appointment to this rectory is taken from the Pat. Rolls. He paid the first fruits on 3 May 1554. On 15 June 1554 Thos Morres clerk also paid first fruits for the same but, on 6 Feb. 1554-5 produced a certificate showing that he had not obtained induction to the said church as Thos Bolte held the same. so he (Morres) was exonerated from any payments in regard to the same. (*Exch. Plea Roll* I, No. 99.)

[3] **Rolleston.** Scholaris ruralis, bene litteratus; M.A. (1602 *return*), no preacher, a worldling (1604 *return*); instituted while the see of Cov. and Lich. was vacant; ordained priest subsequently 23 Ap. 1581 by Wm Overton; married 17 Ap. 1598 Frances Fowler. Perhaps M.A. 1572 Ch. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Rectory worth 60*l.* in 1604.

[4] **Biddulph.** Probably M.A. 1611 Trin. Coll. Ox., B.D. 1620, son of Simon Biddulph of Elmhurst, co. Staffs. (*Foster*).

[5] **Newman.** Possibly B.A. 1618-9 Clare Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[6] **Heming,** Hemming. Probably had been a virulent anabaptist? preacher at Uttoxeter in 1649, who fell out with the vicar there and wrote some controversial pamphlets. (*Simms, Redfern's Uttoxeter*, 2nd ed., pp. 208-211.) He certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1654. (*Lamb. MS.* 997, pt. 1, No. 52.) One of this name was the son of John Hemming of Lacock, Wilts, matriculated at Magd. Hall, Ox., in 1642, aged 18, and became rector of Swineshead, Hunts, in 1666 (*Foster*).

[7] **Bakewell.** Probably M.A. 1641 Linc. Coll. Ox., son of Augustus Bakewell of Staunton, co. Derby? (*Foster*). Admitted to this parish 13 May 1657 by the commissioners? on the presentation of Cromwell (*Lamb. MS.* 998, p. 31); certified the fitness of many candidates for the ministry (*Lamb. MS.* 999). *See* **Burton-on-Trent.**

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INCUMBENTS

occ. 1535 — Rich Wayne[12]
occ. 1548 — Geo Woodward[13]
occ. 1631-2 (bur. 18 Jan. 1658-9) — Rob Barber[14]

NOTES

[1] **Nuthedde**, Nutched, Nuthed, Nychted. Paid tax of 5s. in 1333. Owed 40s. 8d. by the abbot of Dieulacres in 1538. (*Salt*, p. 60.)

[2] **Bolle**. See **Church Eaton**. His appointment to this rectory is taken from the Pat. Rolls. He paid the first fruits on 3 May 1554. On 15 June 1554 Thos Morres clerk also paid first fruits for the same but, on 6 Feb. 1554-5 produced a certificate showing that he had not obtained induction to the said church as Thos Bolle held the same, so he (Morres) was exonerated from any payments in regard to the same. (*Exch. Pipe Roll*, No. 99.)

[3] **Rolleston**. Scholaris ruralis, bene literatus; M.A. (1604 renewal, no preacher, a worldling (1604 review); instituted while the see of Cov. and Lich. was vacant; ordained priest subsequently 22 Apr. 1581 by Wm Overton; married 17 Ap. 1598 Frances Fowler. Perhaps M.A. 1572 Gh. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Rectory worth 60*l.* in 1604.

[4] **Biddulph**. Probably M.A. 1571 Trin. Coll. Ox., B.D. 1582, son of Simon Biddulph of Elmhurst, co. Staffs. (*Foster*).

[5] **Newman**. Possibly B.A. 1618-9 Clare Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[6] **Hemling**; Hemming. Probably had been a virulent anabaptist preacher at Uttoxeter in 1649, who fell out with the vicar there and wrote some controversial pamphlets. (*Simms, Reg/ven & Diocesan*, 2nd ed., pp. 208-211.) He certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1654. (*Lamb. MS.* 997, pt. 1, No. 32.) One of this name was the son of John Hemming of Lacock, Wilts, matriculated at Magd. Hall, Ox., in 1642, aged 18, and became rector of Swinshead, Hunts, in 1666 (*Foster*).

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[8] **Squire.** B.A. 1650 Trin. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1653 Brasenose Coll. Ox.; son of a proctor of archbp's court at York; chaplain of All Souls Coll.; fellow of University Coll.; preb. of Hansacre 1675-7; paid subsidy of 2*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* here in Jan. 1661-2; author; buried at Lichfield. (*Foster, Venn, Simms.*)

[9] **Wickham.** M.A. 1672 Trin. Coll. Ox., son of John Wickham of Garsington, Ox., gentleman (*Foster*).

[10] **Mason.** Described in his will as clerk and of Rolleston. Perhaps guild priest, etc., at Lichfield in 1548.

[11] *Accounts*, 6829, 6833, 6839, etc.

[12] **Wayne.** *See* **Alstonefield.**

[13] **Woodward.** Received pension of 4*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* on 10 Sep. 1548, which was paid till about 1562 (*Accounts*, 6289 *et seq.*; *D. of Lanc. Mis. Bk.* 135, p. 104).

[14] **Barber.** Possibly educated at Camb. (*see Venn*). One of this name buried at Tatenhill.

RONTON

In 1563 a church, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D., formerly approp. to Ronton Priory. Reported c. 1538 that the Priory stood charged to find a curate to serve the chapel here, to pay him a salary of 40*s.* p.a. and to find him meat, drink & a chamber in the Priory.[1]

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 little silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments with all things to them; 2 old vestments without anything to them; 1 old cope; 3 altar cloths; 3 towels; 2 corporals with cases; 1 cross with half a brass staff; 1 brass holywater stock; 2 cruets; 1 pair of brass censers; 1 surplice; 1 rochet; 2 little bells hanging in a tree; 1 sanctus bell; 1 hand bell; 1 maslyn pyx; 2 old chrismatories. **Ch. wds.:** Hen. Coke & Thos Mawer.

CURATES

occ. 1533		Ralph Persall[2]
occ. c. 1538		Thos More[3]
	w.p. 7 May 1556	John Reder
(occ. 1561		Harry . . . . .)?[4]
occ. 1593	w.p. 2 Ap. 1624	Francis Alsop[5]
occ. 1651-2		Thos Mason[6]
occ. 1664	ob. 1684	Simon Alkin[7]

[8] Squire, B.A. 1650 Trin. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1663 Brasenose Coll. Ox.; son of a proctor of archbp's court at York; chaplain of All Souls Coll.; fellow of University Coll.; preb. of Hanmere 1673-7; paid subsidy of xl. 1os. od. here in Jan. 1681-2; author; buried at Lichfield. (Foster, Venn, Simms.)

[9] Wickham, M.A. 1672 Trin. Coll. Ox., son of John Wickham of Caersington, Ox., gentleman (Foster).

[10] Mason. Described in his will as clerk and of Rolleston. Perhaps guild priest, etc., at Lichfield in 1548.

[11] Accounts, 6829, 6833, 6839, etc.

[12] Wayne. See Alstonefield.

[13] Woodward. Received pension of 4l. 3s. 4d. on 10 Sep. 1548, which was paid till about 1562 (Accounts, 6869 et seq.; D. of Lanc. Mis. Bk. 133, p. 104).

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CURATES

occ. 1533		Ralph Persall[2]
occ. c. 1538		Thos More[3]
	w.p. 7 May 1556	John Reder
(occ. 1561		Harry . . . .)?[4]
occ. 1593	w.p. 2 Ap. 1614	Francis Alsop[5]
occ. 1631-2		Thos Mason[6]
occ. 1664	ob. 1684	Simon Aikin[7]

NOTES

[1] *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 195, No. 40.

[2] **Persall.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as curate here in 1533.

[3] **More.** *See* **Elford.**

[4] "Sir Harey" of Ronton is bequeathed a "best bonet" and a fur tippet by Wm Asteley, vicar of Seighford in 1561. The payment of a salary to the curate here of 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* by the Exchequer is mentioned in the *Ministers' Accounts, Eliz.* 2015-20.

[5] **Alsop.** *See* **Ellenhall.** His salary for Ronton was 5*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (1602 *return*).

[6] **Mason.** *See* **Chebsey** and **Ellenhall.**

[7] **Alkin.** Ordained deacon 9 July 1664 and priest 18 Dec. 1664. His salary for this cure and that of Ellenhall was about 10*l.* (*Gregory*).

RUGELEY

In 1563 a vicarage approp. to the dean & chapter of Lichfield and subject to their peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 (2?) old vestments, 1 of green satin, 1 of blue buckram; 2 copes; 2 albes; 1 copper cross; 2 pewter candlesticks; 1 cross cloth; 2 linen banner cloths; 4 altar cloths; 2 towels; 1 pillow; 2 corporals with 1 case; 1 latten censer; 1 pax; 3 bells; 2 little bells.

In 1604 there were some recusants here.

VICARS

1481	w.p. 1524	Rich Bee
26 Ap. 1525	res. 26 Ap. 1525	Robt Rawson [1]
28 Ap. 1525	ob. 1525	Hen Halhed
13 Sep. 1525	ob. 1545	Ralph Bowrynge M.A. [2]
27 Nov. 1545	res. 1558	Thos Tatton [3]
8 June 1558	w.p. 1564	Edw Fletcher [4]
occ. Ap. 1574		Thos Harryman [5]
occ. 11 Ap. 1575	bur. 13 Jan. 1619-20	Nich Adey [6]
11 Feb. 1619-20	occ. 1625	John Machon M.A. [7]
	bur. 4 Sep. 1640	Thos Handley
occ. 1650	bur. 1 Nov. 1672	Thos Jones [8]
	bur. 19 Mar. 1673-4	John Sworton
15 June 1674		Wm Baker

NOTES

[1] Aug. Mis. 88, 195, No. 40.

[2] Personal. Paid tax, of 5s. 4d. as curate here in 1533.

[3] More. See Elford.

[4] "Sir Harey" of Ronton is bequeathed a "best bonet" and a fur tippet by Wm Astely, vicar of Seighford in 1561. The payment of a salary to the curate here of £6. 8d. by the Exchequer is mentioned in the Ministers' Accounts, Eliz. 2015-20.

[5] Alsop. See Ellenhall. His salary for Ronton was £6. 13s. 4d. (1602 return).

[6] Mason. See Chebsey and Ellenhall.

[7] Aiklin. Ordained deacon 9 July 1664 and priest 18 Dec. 1664. His salary for this cure and that of Ellenhall was about 1[illegible] (Gregory).

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27 Nov. 1545	res. 1558	Thos Tatton [3]
8 June 1558	w.p. 1564	Edw Fletcher [4]
	occ. Ap. 1574	Thos Harryman [5]
occ. 11 Ap. 1575	bur. 13 Jan. 1619-20	Nich Adey [6]
11 Feb. 1619-20	occ. 1623	John Madon M.A. [7]
	bur. 4 Sep. 1640	Thos Handley
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	bur. 19 Mar. 1673-4	John Sworton
15 June 1674		Wm Baker

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Discovered in 1553 to be endowed with 8 cottages with lands etc. in the tenures of James Butler, Rich Broke, John Harryson, Rich Stevenson, Gladwen Carpenter, John Lees, John Arnold, & Peter Woodward, worth 45*s.* 7*d.* net p.a. (*h, l, n*). In 1567 this property, then officially valued at 47*s.* 2*d.*, was leased by the Crown to Robt Hurleston for 21 years at a rent of 70*s.* 4*d.* Thos Ryve, schoolmaster, then occupied the largest holding at a rent of 10*s.* p.a.[9] The pleadings of an action brought in 1590 state that this property had been "time out of mind" conveyed to divers persons, gentlemen of good credit and worship and other honest and sufficient persons of the town and parish of Rugeley to the intent that the profits thereof should be employed to the best use and commodity of Rugeley parish and that the said trustees had always thought it most meet and beneficial to employ the said profits to the benefit & use of a grammar school here.[10] It seems probable from these pleadings that the Lady Priest here as elsewhere had been accustomed to keep a school.

INCUMBENT

(occ. 1533 John Griffyths)?[11]

OBITS

Certified in 1548 that Agnes Weston, wid., had given ½ acre of meadow in Broadmeadow and 4 acres of arable land in Church field and Upfield, worth 2*s.* 4*d.* net p.a. for an obit in memory of Rich Weston and a lamp to burn before the rood, whereof to the poor 8*d.*; that Margery More, Rich Fletcher and Wm Truebody had each given for a perpetual yearly obit a rent of 1*s.* 11*d.* or 1*s.* 9*d.*, whereof to the poor in each case 4*d.*, and that Thos Starkey, priest, had given a cow, price 12*s.*, for an obit (*b, c, r*).[12]

THE LIGHT OF THE BLESSED MARY

The custodian of this light is mentioned in a rental of old holdings at Rugeley made 16 Oct. 1448, which is kept with the Court Rolls at Beaudesert.

NOTES

[1] **Rawson.** *See* **Lichfield,** *note* 13.

[2] **Bowrynge.** Described as magister when he paid tax of 2*s.* 2½*d.* as vicar here in 1533.

[3] **Tatton.** *See* **Colton.** The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 was not paid when due (19-506).

[4] **Fletcher.** Chantry priest at S. Andrew's altar, Lichfield, 1541-8, received pension of 5*l.* on dissolution of that chantry, which was still being paid in 1555 (*see Harwood*, p. 14); subscribed 1559.

[5] **Harryman.** One of this name matriculated 1554 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Mentioned as vicar of Rugeley on 13 Ap. 1574, when presented to the local court by Wm Kyrkehill, forester, for cutting down and carting off branches of the lord's trees without licence, fined 4*d.*; also for lopping 3 oaks, fined 2*d.*; also for cutting down an oak and carting it off, fined 12*d.* (*Rugeley Court Rolls at Beaudesert*).

[6] **Adey.** Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris bene exercitatus, et gregem suum laudabiliter instruens; no preacher, gamester, drunkard (1604 *return*; *see further under* **Colwich**); ordained priest by Thos Bentham; instituted by the dean, Laurence Nowell. Fined by the local court 10*s.* on 3 Oct. 1576 for maintaining and permitting for his profit the illegal games called " le dyse " in his house here and for playing them several times against the statute 33 Hen. VIII; fined 13*s.* 4*d.* on 12 Ap. 1577 for similar offence, also 6*s.* 8*d.* for gaming in Rich Otty's house; fined 3*s.* 4*d.* on 15 Oct. 1577 for playing at " bowles "; fined 4*d.* on 11 Ap. 1575 for not mending a gap in the fence of the field called " quadragesimalem " (or Upfield); fined 12*d.* on 5 Ap. 1592 for decapitating and lopping hollies in " Canke " wood (*Rugeley Court Rolls*). Vicarage worth 24*l.* in 1604.

[7] **Machon.** (1572-1640?) Son of John Machon of Bancke, Sheffield; B.A. 1594 Magd. Hall, Ox.; vicar of Aston, Warw., from 1603; perhaps became vicar of Longdon in 1626; preb. of Wellington 1631-? and vicar of Hartburn, Northum., 1632. More probably, however, it was his son who held these last three appointments. (*D. N. B.*) *See* **Longdon.**

[8] **Jones.** *See* **Bradeley.** On 27 Aug. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers ordered an augmentation of 50*l.* p.a. to this vicarage from the tithes of this impropriate rectory, which had been sequestered from Dr Littleton, delinquent, as its value was but 40*l.* p.a. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, p. 178; *Bod. MS.* 323, p. 357). About this date it is also reported as worth 60*l.* p.a. (*Roy. Comp.*, s. 2, vol. XIV, pp. 273, 261). Jones paid a subsidy of 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* in 1661.

[9] *Leases*, Roll 2, p. 17.

[10] *Exch. T. of R. Court of Requests*, Bundle 33, No. 91.

NOTES

[2] **Rawson.** See Lichfield, note 13.

[3] **Bowynge.** Described as magister when he paid tax of 2s. 4½d. as vicar here in 1533.

[4] **Tatton.** See Colton. The subsidy due as Mar. 1558 was not paid when due (19-506).

[5] **Fletcher.** Chantry priest at S. Andrew's altar, Lichfield, 1547-8, received pension of 5l. on dissolution of that chantry, which was still being paid in 1553 (see Harwood, p. 11); subscribed 1559.

[6] **Harryman.** One of this name matriculated 1551 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn). Mentioned as vicar of Rugeley on 19 Ap. 1574, when presented to the local court by Wm Kyrkebill, forester, for cutting down and carting off branches of the lord's trees without licence, fined 4d.; also for lopping 3 oaks, fined 2d.; also for cutting down an oak and carting it off, fined 12d. (Rugeley Court Rolls at Beaudesert).

[7] **Adey.** Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris laude exercitatus, et regem summ. laudabiliter instruens; no preacher, gunsetter, drunkard (1604 return; see further under Colwich); ordained priest by Thos Bentham; instituted by the dean, Laurence Nowell. Fined by the local court 10s. on 3 Oct. 1579 for maintaining and permitting for his profit the illegal games called "le dyce" in his house here and for playing them several times against the statute 33 Hen. VIII; fined 13s. 4d. on 12 Ap. 1577 for similar offence, also 6s. 8d. for gaming in Rich Otty's house; fined 3s. 4d. on 15 Oct. 1577 for playing at "bowles"; fined 4d. on 11 Ap. 1575 for not mending a gap in the fence of the field called "quadragesimalem" (or Upfield); fined 12d. on 5 Ap. 1592 for decapitating and lopping hollies in "Ranke" wood (Rugeley Court Rolls). Vicarage worth 44l. in 1604.

[8] **Machon.** (1572-1610?) Son of John Machon of Handsle, Sheffield; B.A. 1564 Magd. Hall, Ox.; vicar of Aston, Warw., from 1603; perhaps became vicar of Longdon in 1576; preb. of Wellington 1591-? and vicar of Hartburn, Northum., 1594. More probably however, it was his son who held these last three appointments. (D. N. B.) See Longdon.

[9] **Jones.** See Bradeley. On 27 Aug. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers ordered an augmentation of 50l. p.a. to this vicarage from the tithes of this impropriate rectory, which had been sequestered from Dr Littleton, delinquent, as its value was but 40l. p.a. (S. P. Dom. Inter. R. 1, p. 174; Bod. MS. 324, p. 257). About this date it is also reported as worth 60l. p.a. (Rep. Comp., s. 2, vol. XIV, pp. 273, 287). Jones paid a subsidy of 1l. 10s. 0d. in 1661.

[10] **Leases,** Roll 2, p. 17.

[11] **Exch.** T. of R. Court of Requests, Bundle 33, No. 91.

[11] **Griffyths.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533, but may have been curate and not chantry priest here.

[12] Cf. *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 67, pp. 281, 282, and *Grants*, No. 1551.

RUSHALL

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D., formerly approp. to Halesowen Abbey.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 green silk vestment with albe and "karcheffe"; 1 white satin vestment with albe and "karcheffe"; 1 green silk cope; 2 wood crosses, 1 of them overlaid with brass; 1 lead cruet; 1 corporal with red velvet case; 2 brass canopies; 1 surplice; 2 bells (*s*); 1 little bell (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** Robt Harison & Thos Hawkes.

Patrons: 1563 Edw Leigh, 1579 Crown for Sir Gervase Clifton kt, 1604 Sir Edw Leigh kt.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. c. 1563	Rich Brett [1]
	(Xmas 1559	no vicar)? [2]
29 Oct. 1563	bur. 14 Oct. 1578	Michael Hodgeson [3]
14 Feb. 1578-9	occ. 1593	Robt Moore [4]
6 Mar. 1594-5		John Baguley
4 Oct. 1596	w.p. 14 Feb. 1598-9	Edmund Kynnaston [5]
11 July 1599	occ. 1602	John Goodwin B.D. [6]
25 Jan. 1603-4		Lawrence Bayly M.A.? [7]
15 Sep. 1604	occ. 1651-2	Rich Holte B.A.? [8]
	ejected 1662	Rich (?) York [9]
22 Dec. 1662	occ. 1666	Isaac Barton B.A. [10]
26 Feb. 1679-80 ff.		Geo Hill

OBITS

Certified in 1548 that

(i) John Harper had left certain lands for a perpetual obit in this church for all Christian souls worth 6*s.* 0*d.* p.a., whereof 8*d.* was distributed to 8 poor persons (*b*, *c*).

(ii) He also had left other lands to the Lord of Rushall manor, who was to offer yearly at the said obit out of their profits 1*s.* 0*d.* (*b*).

Circa 1550 Harper's obit is valued at 14*s.* 4*d.* net (*r*).

[1] Orlliyths. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1535, but may have been curate and not chantry priest here.

[2] Cl. Aug. Mis. 88, 67, 70, 287, 282, and Gwast, No. 1551.

RUSHALL

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D., formerly appropr. to Halesowen Abbey.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 green silk vestment with albe and "Iaceliolle"; 1 white satin vestment with albe and "Iaceliolle"; 1 green silk cope; 2 wood crosses, 1 of them overlaid with brass; 1 lead cruet; 1 corporal with red velvet case; 2 brass canopies; 1 surplice; 2 bells (4); 1 little bell (5). Ch. wds.: Robt Harison & Thos Hawkes.

Patrons: 1563 Edw Leigh. 1579 Crown for Sir Gervase Clifton kt. 1604 Sir Edw Leigh kt.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. c. 1563	Rich Brett [1]
	(Xmas 1559	no vicar)? [2]
29 Oct. 1563	bur. 14 Oct. 1578	Michael Hodgeson [3]
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6 Mar. 1594-5		John Bagsley
4 Oct. 1596	w.p. 14 Feb. 1598-9	Edmund Kynnaston [5]
11 July 1599	occ. 1602	John Goodwin B.D. [6]
25 Jan. 1603-4		Lawrence Bayly M.A.? [7]
15 Sep. 1604	occ. 1631-2	Rich Holte B.A.? [8]
	elected 1662	Rich (?) York [9]
22 Dec. 1662	occ. 1666	Isaac Barton B.A. [10]
26 Feb. 1679-80 n.		Geo Hill

GIFTS

Certified in 1548 that

(i) John Harper had left certain lands for a perpetual obit in this church for all Christian souls worth 6s. 0d. p.a., whereof 8d. was distributed to 8 poor persons (6, 6).

(ii) He also had left other lands to the Lord of Rushall manor, who was to offer yearly at the said obit out of their profits 1s. 0d. (6).

Circa 1550 Harper's obit is valued at 14s. 4d. net (7).

(iii) Margaret Harper, widow, had left other lands to the churchwardens for a perpetual obit for her soul and all Christian souls worth 19*s.* 11*d.* p.a., whereof 3*s.* 10*d.* was to be distributed to 46 of the poorest children and 3*s.* 10*d.* to 40 poor persons (*b, c*).

Circa 1550 Margaret Harper's obit is valued at 1*l.* 1*s.* 11*d.* net (*r*).

NOTES

[1] **Brett.** Paid tax of 7*s.* 1½*d.* as rector (*sic*) here in 1533. *See* **Haughton.**

[2] Vicarage vacant. (*Subsidy* 19-507.) As in other cases this appears to be inaccurate, possibly Brett resided at Haughton and made this return to avoid paying two subsidies.

[3] **Hodgeson,** Hodson. Buried at Walsall, will pr. 8 Ap. 1579.

[4] **Moore.** Scholaris oxoniensis et eruditus, ordained and instituted by Thos Bentham on the presentation of the Crown. There are two Oxford graduates of this name; one B.A. 1566 Brasenose Coll., the other B.A. 1576-7 (*Foster*).

[5] **Kynnaston.** Possibly same as "Edw Kinaston" M.A. 1590 Queens' Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[6] **Goodwin.** Fellow of S. John's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1595, D.D. 1616 (*Venn*).

[7] **Bayly,** Baylie. Probably M.A. 1596 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). A preacher (1604 *return*). Vicarage worth 20*l.* in 1604.

[8] **Holte.** Probably B.A. 1580-1 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Mentioned as minister here in the winter of 1651-2, when—if this graduate—he must have been nearly 90 years old.

[9] **York.** Died in 1667 while still young. Called Robert by Calamy and Stebbing Shaw, but Richard in the *Dioc. Reg.*

[10] **Barton.** B.A. Trin. Coll. Dublin; ordained both deacon and priest 21 Dec. 1662.

SALT CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle D. It formerly belonged to Stafford collegiate church, which paid the salary of the priest here (*b*). In 1549 it possessed 2 bells (*s*) (which in 1553 were left in the charge of the Marston ch. wds.) & ornaments valued at 2*s.* 2*d.* The chapel was covered with shingle and on 11 Feb. 1548-9 was let with the chapel yard for 1*s.* 8*d.* p.a. (*e*), as the chapel was not appointed to remain as a chapel of ease, [1] while the chaplain, whose salary was 4*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*,

(iii) Margaret Harper, widow, had left other lands to the churchwardens for a perpetual obit for her soul and all Christian souls worth 10s. 11d. p.a., whereof 3s. 10d. was to be distributed to 40 of the poorest children and 3s. 10d. to 40 poor persons (b, c).

Circa 1550 Margaret Harper's obit is valued at 1l. 1s. 11d. net (x).

NOTES

[1] **Brett.** Paid tax of 7s. 1½d. as rector (xe) here in 1553. See Hanghton.

[2] Vicarage vacant. (Subsidy 10-50?.) As in other cases this appears to be inaccurate, possibly Brett resided at Hanghton and made this return to avoid paying two subsidies.

[3] **Hodgeson, Hodson.** Buried at Walsall, will pr. 8 Apr. 1570.

[4] **Moore.** Scholaris oxoniensis et eruditus, ordained and instituted by Thos Bentham on the presentation of the Crown. There are two Oxford graduates of this name; one B.A. 1586 Brasenose Coll., the other B.A. 1576-7 (Foster).

[5] **Kynnaston.** Possibly same as "Edw. Kinaston" M.A. 1590 Queens' Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[6] **Goodwin.** Fellow of S. John's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1595, D.D. 1619 (Venn).

[7] **Bayly, Bayle.** Probably M.A. 1596 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn). A preacher (1604 return). Vicarage worth 20l. in 1604.

[8] **Holte.** Probably B.A. 1580-1 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn). Mentioned as minister here in the winter of 1581-2, when—if this graduate—he must have been nearly 90 years old.

[9] **York.** Died in 1667 while still young. Called Robert by Calamy and Stebbing Shaw, but Richard in the Dioc. Reg.

[10] **Barton.** B.A. Trin. Coll. Dublin; ordained both deacon and priest 21 Dec. 1662.

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was entitled to a pension (*d*). On 20 Jan. 1549-50 the parishioners petitioned that the chapel might remain for their ease and pointed out that they had always had a priest there, that there were more than 100 communicants there and that the chapel had all the sacraments of a parish church, except burials. [2]

Enson chapelry seems to have been united with this chapelry early in the reign of Elizabeth.

Salt is not mentioned in the returns of 1602, 1604 and 1651-2 and no incumbent is named in 1620.

CHAPLAINS

occ. 1533	Edmund Walker [3]
occ. 1548	Thos Fox [4]
occ. 1593	a curate [5]

NOTES

[1] *T. R. Mis. Bk.* 258, p. 109.

[2] *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 116, pp. 122, 124.

[3] **Walker.** Paid tax of 4*s.* 5*d.* as curate here in 1533. *See* **Hopton.**

[4] **Fox.** *See* **Penn.**

[5] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593. Shortly after this date this chapel seems to have been disused. In 1665 the rector of Stafford certifies the number of hearths and describes himself as rector here.

SANDON

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D., formerly approp. to Combermere Abbey.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments with their necessaries; 1 corporal with case; 2 copes; 4 altar cloths; 4 towels; 1 copper cross; 1 brass censer; 3 bells (*s*); 1 little bell in the church. **Ch. wds.:** Raffe Grotwiche & Thos Fox.

Patrons: 1554-1604 the Erdeswicks.

VICARS

	ob. 1530	Ralph Hauson
16 Sep. 1530	deprived c. 1553	Robt Aston [1]
	circa 1553-4	no vicar [2]

was entitled to a pension (d). On 20 Jan. 1549-50 the parishioners petitioned that the chapel might remain for their ease and pointed out that they had always had a priest there, that there were more than 100 communicants there and that the chapel had all the sacraments of a parish church, except burials.[a]

Ensor chapelry seems to have been united with this chapelry early in the reign of Elizabeth.

Salt is not mentioned in the returns of 1603, 1604 and 1635-6 and no incumbent is named in 1620.

CHAPLAINS

occ. 1533	Edmund Walker[a]
occ. 1548	Thos Fox[b]
occ. 1593	a curate[c]

NOTES

[1] T. R. Mis. Bk. 238, p. 109.

[2] Eccl. Mis. Bk. 116, pp. 122, 123.

[3] Walker. Paid tax of 4s. 3d. as curate here in 1533. See Hopton.

[4] Fox. See Penn.

[5] Curate. Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593. Shortly after this date this chapel seems to have been disused. In 1605 the rector of Stafford certifies the number of hearths and describes himself as rector here.

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VICARS

	ob. 1530	Ralph Hanson
16 Sep. 1530	deprived c. 1553	Rob. Aston[a]
	circa 1553-4	no vicar[b]

6 July 1554	occ. 1559	Rich Cliffe [3]
(c. 1560)	ob. 1577	Robt Aston [1]
10 July 1578	w.p. 19 Jan. 1635-6	Peter Bordman [4]
11 Jan. 1635-6	ob. 1665	Ralph Astle B.A. [5]
1 Feb. 1665-6		Josias Deane [6]
1681		Wm Caldwell [7]

LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that there were certain lands here worth 3*s.* 8*d.* net p.a. in the tenure of Roger Bold, Hugh Horne, Rich Bold & James Molle, which had been given for lights and other common charges of the church (*e*).

NOTES

[1] **Aston.** Paid tax of 9*s.* 4*d.* as vicar here in 1533. *See* **Mucklestone.**

[2] *Subsidy* 271-5.

[3] **Cliffe.** Both before and after the reign of Qn Mary he was curate of Stone (q.v.).

[4] **Bordman.** Scholaris ruralis, vtcunque doctus; no degree, no preacher (1602-4 *returns*); ordained by Wm, bp of Chester. Vicarage worth 24*l.* in 1604.

[5] **Astle.** B.A. 1630 Brasenose Coll. Ox., son of Ralph Astle of Golborne (*Foster*), ordained deacon 22 May 1630; certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1658 (*Lamb. MS.* 999), paid subsidy of 10*s.* in Jan. 1661-2, perhaps vicar of Tamworth 1662-3. On 30 Dec. 1648 the committee for plundered ministers granted him an augmentation of 30*l.* p.a. from this impropriate rectory, sequestered from Geo Digby, as his maintenance was but 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

[6] **Deane.** Educated at Brasenose Coll. Ox., ordained deacon 29 Jan. 1662-3, priest 26 July 1663; curate of Armitage c. 1665; probably also curate of Pipe Ridware.

[7] **Caldwell.** *See* **Milwich.**

SEDGLEY

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D., formerly approp. to Dudley Priory.

Ch. Orn., 15 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 latten cross with cloth; 2 latten censers; 2 copes, 1 of crimson velvet, 1 of green Bruges satin; 5 chasubles; 1 of green velvet, 4 of divers colours; 2 albes; 3 towels; 3 other cloths; 4 bells (*s*).

6 July 1554	occ. 1550	Rich Cliffe [1]
(c. 1560)	ob. 1577	Robt Aston [1]
10 July 1578	w.p. 10 Jan. 1635-6	Peter Bordman [2]
11 Jan. 1635-6	ob. 1665	Ralph Astle B.A. [3]
1 Feb. 1665-6		Josias Deane [4]
1681		Wm Caldwell [5]

LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that there were certain lands here worth 3s. 8d. net p.a. in the tenure of Roger Bold, Hugh Horne, Rich Bold & James Molle, which had been given for lights and other common charges of the church (a).

NOTES

[1] **Aston.** Paid tax of 9s. 4d. as vicar here in 1533. See Muckleston.

[2] Subsidy 1571-5.

[3] **Cliffe.** Both before and after the reign of Qn Mary he was curate of Stone (q.v.).

[4] **Bordman.** Scholaris rudis, vicunque doctus; no degree; no preacher (1662-4 returns); ordained by Wm, bp of Chester. Vicarage worth £4 in 1664.

[5] **Astle.** B.A. 1630 Brasenose Coll. Ox., son of Ralph Astle of Golborne (Foster), ordained deacon as May 1632; certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1658 (Lond. MS. 990), paid subsidy of 10s. in Jan. 1661-2, perhaps vicar of Tamworth 1662-3. On 30 Dec. 1648 the committee for plundered ministers granted him an augmentation of 30l. p.a. from this improprietate rectory, sequestered from Geo Digby, as his maintenance was but 26l. 13s. 4d.

[6] **Deane.** Educated at Brasenose Coll. Ox., ordained deacon 29 Jan. 1662-3, priest 26 July 1663; curate of Armitage c. 1665; probably also curate of Pipe Ridware.

[7] **Caldwell.** See Milwich.

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Note: 2 amices had been stolen. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Bradeley & Thos Aparke.

Patrons: 1573-1604 Edw lord Dudley, 1625, 1629 Thos Parkes, 1657 Hen Stone.

VICARS

	res. 1529	Geo Lee [1]
22 July 1529	res. 1534	Gervase Bageshawe [2]
22 June 1534	w.p. 10 Jan. 1557-8	Rich Mannsfeld [3]
21 June 1558	ob. 1573	Thos Allcocke [4]
24 June 1573	bur. 14 Nov. 1625	Rich Brown [5]
13 Dec. 1625	eject. c. 1627	Wm Fenner D.D. [6]
23 Mar. 1628-9	ob. 12 Sep. 1656	Wm Parkes M.A. [7]
22 May 1657	depr. Aug. 1662	Joseph Eccleshall B.A.? [8]
22 Oct. 1662	occ. 1666	Thos James B.A. [9]

Curate or Chaplain

occ. 1533	Peter Abraham [10]

NOTES

[1] **Lee.** Perhaps brother of Rowland Lee, bp of Cov. & Lich. If so, a B.D. and held many preferments (*see Simms*).

[2] **Bageshawe.** Paid tax of 6*s.* 8*d.* as vicar here in 1533, vicar of Colwich 1534-43.

[3] **Mannsfeld,** Mansell, Maunsell. The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 was not paid (19-506).

[4] **Allcocke,** Alcok. Subscribed 1559.

[5] **Brown.** Scholaris ruralis, praedicator publicus; a preacher, non-resident, pluralist (1604 *return*), ordained and instituted by Thos Bentham; also rector of North Cleobury, Salop, but resigned that rectory some time before his death; died suddenly, aged 78; will pr. 10 Dec. 1625.

[6] **Fenner.** Fellow of Pemb. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1619, B.D. 1627; forced to leave here on account of his puritanism; became rector of Harston, Camb., in 1625 and rector of Rochford, Essex, from 1629 till his death in 1640. Wrote theological treatises. (*D. N. B.*, *Foster*, *Venn*, and *Simms*.)

[7] **Parkes.** Probably M.A. 1629 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[8] **Eccleshall.** B.A. 1653-4 Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*); lecturer at Dudley 1654. As Mr Parkes was then old, infirm and "weak" in preaching, the people here persuaded him to take Eccleshall as his

Note: 2 annexes had been stolen. Ch. wds.: Wm Bradeley & Thos Aparke.

Patrons: 1573-1604 Edw lord Dudley, 1625, 1629 Thos Parkes, 1657 Hen Stone.

VICARS

	res. 1529	Geo Lee [1]
22 July 1529	res. 1534	Gervase Bagseshawe [2]
22 June 1534	w.p. 10 Jan. 1537-8	Rich Mansfield [3]
21 June 1538	ob. 1573	Thos Allocke [4]
24 June 1573	bur. 14 Nov. 1625	Rich Browne [5]
13 Dec. 1625	elect. c. 1627	Wm Fenner D.D. [6]
23 Mar. 1628-9	ob. 12 Sep. 1644	Wm Parkes M.A. [7]
22 May 1657	depr. Aug. 1662	Joseph Ecclesshall B.A. [8]
22 Oct. 1662	occ. 1666	Thos James B.A. [9]

CURATE OR CHAPLAIN

occ. 1533	Peter Abraham [10]

NOTES

[1] Lee. Perhaps brother of Rowland Lee, bp of Cov. & Lich. He so, a B.D. and held many preferments (see Simms).

[2] Bagseshawe. Paid tax of 6s. 8d. as vicar here in 1535, vicar of Colwich 1534-43.

[3] Mansfield, Mansell, Mansell. The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1538 was not paid (19-506).

[4] Allocke, Alock. Subscribed 1550.

[5] Browne. Scholaris mutis, praedicator publicus; a preacher, non-resident, pluralist (1604 survey), ordained and instituted by Thos Bentham; also rector of North Clopton, Salop, but resigned that rectory some time before his death; died suddenly, aged 75; will pr. 10 Dec. 1625.

[6] Fenner. Fellow of Pemb. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1619, B.D. 1627; forced to leave here on account of his puritanism; became rector of Harston, Cambs., in 1643 and rector of Rochford, Essex, from 1660 till his death in 1640. Wrote theological treatises. (D. N. B. Foster, Venn, and Simms.)

[7] Parkes. Probably M.A. 1629 Trin. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[8] Ecclesshall. B.A. 1653-4 Emman. Coll. Camb. (Venn); lecturer at Dudley 1654. As Mr Parkes was then old, infirm and "weak" in preaching, the people here persuaded him to take Ecclesshall as his

assistant in the autumn of 1654. After the death of Parkes he was admitted to this vicarage on the presentation of Hen Stone, the patron (*Lamb. MS.* 998, p. 37). After his ejection he continued his ministry here in private and was buried here in 1692 (*Calamy*).

[9] **James,** Johns, Joans. B.A. Emman. Coll. Camb.; ordained deacon 21 Aug. 1662; priest 31 Dec. 1662. A suit connected with him is mentioned in *Keeper*, 40, p. 140.

[10] **Abraham.** Paid tax of 4*s.* 5¼*d.* as curate or chaplain here in 1533.

SEIGHFORD

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D., formerly approp. to Ronton Priory.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments with all things to them, 1 of Bruges satin, 2 old ones of saie; 1 damask cope; 4 altar cloths; 3 towels; 1 brass bucket; 2 crosses, 1 of brass, 1 of copper; 2 brass censers; 2 lead cruets; 2 brass chandeliers; 3 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell. **Ch. wds.:** Nich Bratt & Roger Sutton.

In 1604 there were some recusants here.

Patron: The Crown.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1542	Rich Hart [1]
14 Mar. 1542-3	bur. 21 Mar. 1560-1	Wm Asteley [2]
15 Jan. 1561-2		Rich Palmer [3]
	(res. 1581	John Austin)? [4]
3 June 1581	bur. 20 Mar. 1635-6	John Yardley [5]
2 May 1636	bur. 17 Ap. 1655	Simon Dudson [6]
29 Aug. 1655	eject. 1661	Rich Cleyton M.A.? [7]
27 Feb. 1661-2	res. 1670	John Wright [8]
12 Sep 1670	ob. 1697	John Nash M.A. [9]

DERRINGTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563 or subsequently.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 little bell.

NOTES

[1] **Hart.** Paid tax of 8*s.* as vicar in 1533.

[2] **Asteley,** Ashley. Probably vicar choral at Gnosall in 1533. Subscribed 1559; will pr. 5 May 1561.

[3] **Palmer.** Subscribed 1559, probably curate of Coppenhall chapel in 1533.

assistant in the autumn of 1651. After the death of Parkes he was admitted to this vicarage on the presentation of Ham Stone, the patron (Lamb. MS. 998, p. 37). After his ejection he continued his ministry here in private and was buried here in 1692 (Calamy).

* **James**, John, Jesus, B.A. Emman. Coll. Camb.; ordained deacon 21 Aug. 1662; priest 21 Dec. 1663. A suit connected with him is mentioned in *Reader*, 40, p. 140.

[1] **Abraham**. Paid tax of 4s. 5½d. as curate or chaplain here in 1533.

SEIGHFORD

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D., formerly appropr. to Ronton Priory.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments with all things to them, 1 of Bruges satin, 2 old ones of saie; 1 damask cope; 4 altar cloths; 3 towels; 1 brass bucket; 2 crosses, 1 of brass, 1 of copper; 2 brass censers; 2 lead crucets; 2 brass chandeliers; 3 bells (2); 1 sanctus bell. **Ch. wds.**: Nich Brutt & Roger Sutton.

In 1604 there were some recusants here.

Patron: The Crown.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1542	Rich Hart [1]
14 Mar. 1542-3	bur. 21 Mar. 1560-1	Wm Astelay [2]
15 Jan. 1561-2		Rich Palmer [3]
	(res. 1581	John Austin)? [4]
3 June 1581	bur. 20 Mar. 1633-6	John Yardley [5]
2 May 1636	bur. 17 Ap. 1655	Simon Dudson [6]
29 Aug. 1655	eject. 1661	Rich Cleyton M.A.? [7]
27 Feb. 1661-2	res. 1670	John Wright [8]
12 Sep 1670	ob. 1697	John Nash M.A. [9]

DERRINGTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563 or subsequently.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 little bell.

NOTES

[1] Hart. Paid tax of 8s. as vicar in 1533.

[2] Astelay, Ashley. Probably vicar choral at Gnosall in 1531. Subscribed 1559; will pr. 5 May 1561.

[3] Palmer. Subscribed 1559, probably curate of Coppenhall chapel in 1533.

[4] **Austin.** Buried here as clerk on 13 Nov. 1582. Probably had been the Lady Priest at Bradeley. Yardley succeeded on the resignation of some unnamed predecessor, who may have been Austin.

[5] **Yardley,** Yerdley, Yeardeley, Erddleye, Erdeley. Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris bene exercitatus; no preacher, no degree (1602-4 *returns*), ordained by Thos Bentham, presented by the Crown 3 June 1581 (*Lans. MS.* 443); instituted 2 Aug. 1581; married 4 May 1582 here Margreat Mayd (*sic*).

[6] **Dudson.** Rector of Bradeley 1624-36; minister here in winter of 1651-2 (*return of that date*); described as clerk in burial register. Walker states that he was sequestered during the "Grand Rebellion," but this seems very doubtful.

[7] **Cleyton.** Perhaps M.A. 1620 Ch. Coll. Camb. or M.A. 1624 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Minister at Lichfield 1649-50; rector of Weston-under-Lizard 1651-2; assistant minister at Wolverhampton 16 June 1652–July 1655; admitted to this vicarage 29 Aug. 1655 by the commissioners after due approbation (*Lamb. MS.* 996, p. 218); granted an augmentation of 20*l.* by the trustees, which was approved by Council of State 12 Aug. 1658 and regularly paid to him (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* vol. CLXXXII, f. 63, No. 8; *Lamb. MSS.* 995, p. 469; 981, p. 21; 994, p. 142); frequently certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry while at Wolverhampton and Seighford (*Lamb. MSS.* 996, p. 163; 999, etc.); paid subsidy for this vicarage of 2*l.* 2 Jan. 1661-2; not recognized as vicar in *Dioc. Reg.* Calamy states that he was an M.A., member of the Westminster Assembly of Divines, that he signed the testimony in 1648 when minister of Great Easton, Essex; that he subsequently and successively became rector of Shawell, near Lutterworth, and vicar of Seighford; that after his ejectment he went to Nuneaton. The compiler suspects that Calamy has confused an Essex minister with the Staffordshire minister.

[8] **Wright.** Educated at Dublin Coll.; presented by Crown 27 Feb. 1661-2 (*Keeper*, 46); ordained priest, instituted and paid first fruits all on 4 Mar. 1661-2; occurs as vicar of S. Chad's, Stafford, 1662; resigned this living for that of Longford, Derbs.

[9] **Nash.** Probably B.A. Ox., M.A. 1673 Camb. (*Foster*). Preb. of Pipa parva 1682-95, also vicar of S. Chad's, Stafford.

SHARESHILL

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution, formerly a chapel of ease to Penkridge and, subsequently (e.g. in 1604), called a church annexed to Penkridge. In May 1548 this chapel is certified to have 1 bell, but no plate or ornaments or lands or tithe (*b*). Next month it is stated that the preb. of Shareshill

[4] **Austin.** Buried here as clerk on 15 Nov. 1584. Probably had been the Lady Priest at Bradeley. Yardley succeeded on the resignation of some unnamed predecessor, who may have been Austin.

[5] **Yardley,** Yerdley, Yeardeley, Ferdeley, Ferdeley. Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris bene exercitatus; no preacher, no degree (1602-4 returns), ordained by Thos Bentham, presented by the Crown 3 June 1581 (Lans. MS. 443); instituted 2 Aug. 1581; married 4 May 1582 here Margaret Mayd (see).

[6] **Dudson.** Rector of Bradeley 1624-36, minister here in winter of 1651-2 (*return of that date*); described as clerk in burial register. Walker states that he was sequestered during the "Grand Rebellion," but this seems very doubtful.

[7] **Clayton.** Perhaps M.A. 1620 Ch. Coll. Camb. or M.A. 1623 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn). Minister at Lichfield 1640-50; rector of Weston-under-Lizard 1651-2; assistant-minister at Wolverhampton 16 June 1652-July 1653; admitted to this vicarage 29 Aug. 1653 by the commissioners after due approbation (Lans. MS. 990, p. 218); granted an augmentation of 20*l.* by the trustees, which was approved by Council of State 12 Aug. 1658 and regularly paid to him (S. P. Dom. Inter. vol. cxxxxii, i. 63, No. 8; Lans. MS. 993, p. 460; 981, p. 21; 994, p. 142); frequently certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry while at Wolverhampton and Seighford (Lans. MSS. 996, p. 163; 999, etc.); paid subsidy for this vicarage of 2*l.* 2 Jan. 1661-2; not recognized as vicar in Dioc. Reg. Calamy states that he was an M.A., member of the Westminster Assembly of Divines, that he signed the testimony in 1648 when minister of Great Easton, Essex; that he subsequently and successively became rector of Shawell, near Lutterworth, and vicar of Seighford; that after his ejectment he went to Nuneaton. The compiler suspects that Calamy has confused an Essex minister with the Staffordshire minister.

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found the priest here and provided him with a salary of 5*l.* 6*s.* 0*d.* and some glebe land (*c*). On 20 July 1548 the commissioners ordered that the then curate should continue to serve this chapel at his old salary.[1]

Early in 1553 Edward Hyll, the priest curate here, with others made a return of some of the ornaments that were certified in May (*h, m, n*).

Ch. Orn., c. May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 green (blue, in the earlier returns) Bruges satin cope; 3 vestments, 1 of green silk, 1 of black silk, 1 of white bustian with albes, amices, stoles & fans; 1 old surplice; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 1 maslyn censer; 2 tin cruets; 1 small sanctus bell; 1 sacring bell; 1 bell. 1 bell had been sold for 4*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* with the assent of the whole parish whereof 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* had been paid to the Bishop for his licence to bury, 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* to his officers for the "composicions," & 10*s.* was still in the hands of Fyllyp Duffeld.

CURATES

occ. 1533		Thos Corbett[2]
occ. 1553		Edward Hyll[3]
occ. 1604		a curate[4]
occ. 1651-2		Rich Embrey B.A.?[5]
14 Ap. 1652	occ. 1656	Ralph Strettell[6]
occ. 1666		John Morrall[7]

NOTES

[1] *Grants.*

[2] **Corbett.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as curate here in 1533.

[3] **Hyll.** One of this name chantry priest of Our Lady under the Rood at Walsall 1542-48; received a pension of 6*l.* from there in 1548 (*p*), which was still being paid temp. Eliz. (*q*). Described as priest curate here in Apr. 1553 (*n*). Humphrey Swynnerton was patron of this church and rebuilt it in 1562 (*S. H. C.*, VII, pt. ii, p. 57). *See* **Swynnerton,** *note* 15.

[4] **Curate.** Not named, no preacher, salary 6*l.* (1604 *return*).

[5] **Embrey.** *See* **Brewood.** On 30 Nov. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted 50*l.* p.a. to the (unnamed) minister here from this impropriate rectory, which they had sequestered from the dean and chapter of Lichfield (*sic*) and Sir Edw Littleton, in addition to his present maintenance of 50*l.* p.a. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 244.)

[6] **Strettell,** Strettle. Entered on this cure on 14 Ap. 1652, and an order was issued by the committee for plundered ministers that

found the priest here and provided him with a salary of 5*l.* 6*s.* 0*d.* and some glebe land (*c*). On 20 July 1545 the commissioners ordered that the then curate should continue to serve this chapel at his old salary.[1]

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he and the parishioners should pay all arrears of salary due to his predecessor (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. ii, p. 462; *Compounding*, p. 2485). On 18 Aug. 1652 the aforesaid committee ordered that his salary should be made up to 100*l.* p.a. from the tithes of Hilton and Featherstone, late belonging to Wolverhampton cathedral, and sequestered from Sir Edw Littleton & Thos Leveson. On 25 Oct. 1653 Strettle asks for payment and on 25 June 1655 the trustees confirm this augmentation order, which had been disregarded (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. ii, p. 562, and *Lamb. MS.* 970, p. 38). On 27 Feb. 1655-6 he once more complains and says he is deprived of all means because Leveson's tithes have been restored to him and the residue—60*l.* os. o*d.*—has been granted by the committee for plundered ministers to others (*Compounding*, p. 2485). Strettle was approved by the commissioners on 25 Ap. 1654 (*Lamb. MS.* 968, p. 7).

[7] **Morrall.** Ordained deacon 26 July 1663; no degree (*Dioc. Reg.*).

SHEEN CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 return.

In 1541 it had been granted to the dean & chapter of the collegiate church of Burton-on-Trent.[1] In 1552 it is described as a chapel in Ilam parish (*m*) and perhaps was so regarded in 1563, though the chapel itself had been sold to Rauf Crane about 1553 and was no doubt destroyed by him.[2]

In 1552 the church ornaments were in the hands of Rich Mawkyn, priest, and Hugh Persyvall (*h, m*).

Patrons: 1567 *see S. H. C.*, XIII, p. 262.

Ch. Orn. 8 May 1553: 2 vestments with albes, amices, stoles & fans, 1 of red saie, 1 of white fustian; 1 surplice; 1 altar cloth; 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 great bells (*s*); 1 hand bell; 1 lead cruet. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Bateman & Nich Persevall.

INCUMBENTS

w.p. 9 Mar. 1540-1	Hen Longworth
(occ. 1552	Rich Mawkyn)? (*h, m*)
occ. 1602	James Hambleton[3]
occ. 1620	Jervase Morte

NOTES

[1] *S. H. C.*, VII, n.s., p. 70.

[2] Thomas Gerrade, John Smythe, John Couper, Wayter (i.e. Walter) Cunye, Thomas Werlay . . . . . Hugh Persyvall and John

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[7] Marrall. Ordained deacon 16 July 1663; no degree (Univ. Reg.).

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Bateman sworne and severally examined say upon their oathes that Shene chapel is sold to Rauf Crane and . . . . . the lead bells and chalice and that there is remaining 2 bells . . . . and one suite of ornaments in the keeping of the said deponents and that the said chapel is partly covered with lead (*n*).

[3] **Hambleton.** No preacher, no degree, salary 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (1602 *return*). Curate of Alstonefield c. 1590.

SHENSTONE

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D., formerly approp. to Osnay Abbey, co. Oxford.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 5 vestments, 1 of blue & red satin, 1 of black fustian, 1 of white fustian, 1* of green dornick, 1* of yellow & green dornick (*these with their suites); 1 cope; 1 copper cross; 2 wood crosses; 4 tin cruets; 3 bells (*s*); 1 sacring bell. **Ch. wds.:** John Parcar & Robt Bethome.

In 1604 there were some recusants here, many popish.

Patron: The Crown.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1542	Hen Hunt [1]
18 May 1542	res. 1545	Wm Wycherley
28 Dec. 1545	res. 1551	Ralph Cox [2]
24 Oct. 1551	ob. c. 1595	Nich Sylvester [3]
1595 or 96		Roger Houlden [4]
(occ. 1598		Robt Gervis)? [5]
18 Sep. 1598	res. 1631	Arthur Cressett [6]
16 May 1631		Thos Darwin M.A. [7]
11 May 1635		Wm Grace M.A.? [8]
occ. 1651-2		Arthur Walker M.A.? [9]
20 July 1655		Gamaliel Dunstall B.A.? [10]
1661	depr. 1662	Wm Grace M.A.? [8]
22 Jan. 1662-3	bur. 14 Sep. 1665	Michael Walford M.A. [11]
26 Sep. 1665		Robt Grace B.A. [12]

CURATE

occ. 1604-1620	John Aston [13]

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[a] **Hambleton.** No preacher, no degree, salary £4. 13s. 4d. (1602 return). Curate of Alstonefield c. 1590.

SHENSTONE

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D., formerly appropr. to Osney Abbey, co. Oxford.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 5 vestments, 1 of blue & red satin, 1 of black bustian, 1 of white bustian, 1* of green dornick, 1* of yellow & green dornick (*these with their suites); 1 cope; 1 copper cross; 2 wood crosses; 4 tin cruets; 3 bells (a); 1 sacring bell. Ch. wdn.: John Farcar & Robt Bellhome.

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CURATE

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THE PRIEST'S SERVICE

Certified in 1546 and 1548 to have been founded by Hen Hunt, the exor. of James Keyley or Cayley, who had built a chapel adjoining Shenstone church and endowed a priest

(i) to sing (mass) daily therein at the altar of Thomas a Becket (*b*), at the altar of our Lady within the parish church (*a*).

(ii) to distribute 13*s.* 4*d.* on one holy day every year in bread, drink & cheese to the persons then present (*b*).

(iii) to teach young children of this parish grammar or otherwise according to his knowledge (*b*). The net income and priest's salary is given in 1546 as 6*l.* 16*s.* 10*d.* & 5*l.* 13*s.* 8*d.* (*a*), in 1548 as 7*l.* 0*s.* 4½*d.* (*b, c*) and 5*l.* 18*s.* 0½*d.* (*c*), and c. 1550 at 8*l.* 6*s.* 3½*d.* (*r*). It possessed no plate or goods.[14]

On 20 July 1548 the Commissioners ordered that the grammar school here should continue and that Parker should remain as schoolmaster at a salary of 5*l.* 18*s.* 0*d.*[15]

CHAPLAIN

occ. 1533-48 Ralph Parker

OBITS

Certified in 1548 that John Ruddyng and John Joliff had each left land worth 2*s.* 6*d.* p.a. for 2 obits, whereof the poor had 1*s.* 11*d.* in both cases (*b, c*, cf. *t*). Discovered in 1552-3 that a part of Heywood meadow in Little Aston let to John Rice? for 2*s.* 8*d.* formed part of this property (*l, n*).

LAMP

Certified in 1548 that Katherine Ruddyng had left a rent of 7*d.* for a lamp in this church (*b*, cf. *t*). Discovered in 1552 that this came from 2 acres in the holding of Ellen Reddynge (*l*).

NOTES

[1] **Hunt.** Paid tax of 8*s.* in 1533.

[2] **Cox,** Cokys. *See* **Blymhill.**

[3] **Sylvester.** Scholaris ruralis, mediocriter doctus; instituted by Rich Sampson; subscribed in 1559; did not exhibit his letters of orders in 1593. The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 was not paid (19-506).

THE PRIEST'S SERVICE

Certified in 1546 and 1548 to have been founded by Hen Hunt, the exor. of James Revley or Cavley, who had built a chapel adjoining Shenstone church and endowed a priest

(i) to sing (mass) daily therein at the altar of Thomas a Becket (b), at the altar of our Lady within the parish church (a).

(ii) to distribute 13s. 4d. on one holy day every year in bread, drink & cheese to the persons then present (b).

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CHAPLAIN

occ. 1533-48 Ralph Parker

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[1] Hunt. Paid tax of 8s. in 1533.

[2] Cox, Colys. See Blymhill.

[3] Sylvester. Scholaris curalis, modicorter doctus; instituted by Rich Sampson; subscribed in 1550; did not exhibit his letters of orders in 1553. The subsidy due as Mar. 1558 was not paid (10-500).

[4] **Houlden.** Presented by the Crown in 38 Eliz. on the death of the last incumbent (*Lans. MS.* 443, p. 12).

[5] **Gervis.** Described in the parish register as vicar, but quite possibly only curate.

[6] **Cressett.** No preacher, no degree (1602 *return*). Vicarage worth 26*l.* os. od. in 1604.

[7] **Darwin.** Either B.A. 1621 Ch. Ch. Ox. from co. Leic. (*Foster*) or M.A. 1604 Corp. Ch. Camb. (*Venn*).

[8] **Grace.** Probably M.A. 1633 Clare Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Ejected from this living as a non-subscriber in 1662 (*Dioc. Reg.* and *Calamy*); also held a living in Leicestershire during the Interregnum for which he had paid a subsidy in 1661, so that he only paid 5*s.* 0*d.* for this vicarage in Jan. 1661-2.

[9] **Walker.** One of this name M.A. 1630 Corpus Ch. Ox. (*Foster*).

[10] **Dunstall?,** Tunstall? Admitted after due approbation by the commissioners (*Lamb. MS.* 996, p. 162); probably educated both at Oxford and Cambridge; B.A. 1653 Peterhouse Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[11] **Walford.** Perhaps B.A. 1625 Caius Coll. Camb., M.A. 1630 Ox., son of John Walford, woollen draper of Warwick, vicar of Charlecote 1626, of Wishaw, co. Warw., 1629 (*Foster, Venn*). Presented to this vicarage by Crown (*Keeper*, 46).

[12] **Grace** (Robt). B.A. Trin. Coll. Camb., ordained deacon 18 Dec. 1664, presented by the Crown (*idem*).

[13] **Aston.** No preacher, accused of felony (1604 *return*).

[14] *T. R. Mis. Bk.* 259, p. 291 (*a, b, c, r*). A void chapel here called "S. Petre in Lyne?" is mentioned in Ap. 1553 (*n*).

[15] *Grants.*

SHERIFF HALES

In 1563 a vicarage, with one annexed chapel at Woodcote, in Lapley D., formerly approp. to Shene Priory, co. Middlesex.

Ch. Orn., c. May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 dornick vestments; 2 albes; 3 silk copes, 1 blue, 1 green, 1 red; 2 altar cloths; 1 brass censer; 2 lead cruets; 3 bells; 1 sanctus bell. 1 brass cross had been stolen.

Patrons: 1556-1631 the Astons, 1662 Rich Fowler of Salop.

The parish register has been printed with a full list of the vicars.

VICARS

occ. 1533	w.p. 26 Jan. 1534-5	John Walker [1]
13 Jan. 1534-5	w.p. 5 Sep. 1556	John Morehouse [2]
7 Sep. 1556	bur. 29 Mar. 1586	John Beeche [3]

[4] **Houlden.** Presented by the Crown in 38 Eliz. on the death of the last incumbent (Lans. MS. 443, p. 12).

[5] **Gervis.** Described in the parish register as vicar, but quite possibly only curate.

[6] **Cressett.** No preacher, no degree (1662 return). Vicarage worth 26l. 0s. 0d. in 1664.

[7] **Darwin.** Either B.A. 1621 Ch. Ch. Ox. from co. Lei. (Foster) or M.A. 1664 Corp. Ch. Camb. (Venn).

[8] **Grace.** Probably M.A. 1633 Clare Coll. Camb. (Venn). Ejected from this living as a non-subscriber in 1662 (Dec. Reg. and Calamy); also held a living in Leicestershire during the Interregnum for which he had paid a subsidy in 1661, so that he only paid 5s. 0d. for this vicarage in Jan. 1661-2.

[9] **Walker.** One of this name M.A. 1610 Corpus Ch. Ox. (Foster).

[10] **Dunstall,** Thomas. Admitted after due approbation by the commissioners (Lans. MS. 996, p. 162); probably educated both at Oxford and Cambridge; B.A. 1653 Peterhouse Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[11] **Walford.** Perhaps B.A. 1625 Caius Coll. Camb., M.A. 1630 Ox., son of John Walford, woollen draper of Warwick, vicar of Charlecote 1620, of Wisham, co. Warw., 1629 (Foster, Venn). Presented to this vicarage by Crown (Keeper, 46).

[12] **Grace** (Robt). B.A. Trin. Coll. Camb., ordained deacon 18 Dec. 1661, presented by the Crown (ibid.).

[13] **Aston.** No preacher, accused of felony (1664 return).

[14] T. R. Mid. 8A. 259, p. 291 (a, b, c, d). A void chapel here called "S. Pere in Lyne" is mentioned in Ap. 1533 (ii).

[15] Cranis.

SHERIFF HALES[1]

In 1563 a vicarage, with one annexed chapel at Woodcote, in Lapley D., formerly approp. to Shene Priory, co. Middlesex.

Ch. Orn., c. May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 dornick vestments; 2 albes; 3 silk copes, 1 blue, 1 green, 1 red; 2 altar cloths; 1 brass censer; 2 lead crucets; 3 bells; 1 sanctus bell. 1 brass cross had been stolen.

Patrons: 1556-1631 the Astons, 1664 Rich Fowler of Sabp.

The parish register has been printed with a full list of the vicars.

VICARS

occ. 1533	w.p. 26 Jan. 1534-5	John Walker[2]
13 Jan. 1534-5	w.p. 5 Sep. 1556	John Morehouse[3]
7 Sep. 1556	bur. 29 Mar. 1586	John Beeche[4]

26 May 1586	bur. 18 Feb. 1621-2	Geo Dunne [4]
12 Aug. 1622	res. 1630	Wm Jeffray M.A. [5]
16 Feb. 1630-1	bur. 9 Dec. 1649	John Morton M.A. [6]
6 Jan. 1652 ff.	eject. 1662	John Nott M.A. [7]
15 Dec. 1662	bur. 19 Jan. 1672-3	Wm Peeres B.A. [8]
8 July 1673		Geo Plaston M.A.

CURATES

occ. 1533		John Collyns [9]
occ. 1622-3		Peter Hadfield [10]
occ. 1631		John Smith [11]
	bur. 26 Nov. 1635	Robt Nicoles [12]

LIGHT

Certified in 1548 that some land here worth 4*d*. p.a. had been given to maintain a light in this parish church (*b*, *r*).

BURLAUGHTON CHAPEL[13]

Not mentioned in 1563 or subsequently. Discovered in 1552 that there were 1 cow and 8 sheep belonging to this chapel in the hands of Robt Broke (*m*) or Blockeley (*h*).

WOODCOTE CHAPEL

Mentioned in 1563 as a chapel in this parish. It was situated in Shropshire and is not again mentioned in any document seen by the compiler.

NOTES

[1] **Walker.** Paid tax of 6*s*. 8*d*. as vicar here and 8*s*. as vicar of Wombourn in 1533.

[2] **Morehouse,** Moorhus, Morris.

[3] **Beeche.** Either he or the curate of Maer subscribed in 1559.

[4] **Dunne.** Scholaris oxoniensis in artis 1569, in sacris litteris bene versatus; no preacher (1604 *return*).

[5] **Jeffray.** *See* **Hamstall Ridware.**

[6] **Morton.** M.A. 1629 Camb. (*Venn*); ordained priest 19 Sep. 1629. On 2 Sep. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers ordered that the yearly rent of 40*l*. reserved and payable out of this impropriate rectory to Sir Rich Leveson kt of Trentham, delinquent, and from him sequestered should be paid to augment the salary of the minister here (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 357; Shaw, II, p. 481; *Roy. Comp.*, s. 1, vol. CXIII, p. 291; *King's Pamph.*, vol. CCCLXXXVIII, No. 30).

26 May 1586	bur. 15 Feb. 1621-2	Geo Dunne [4]
12 Aug. 1622	res. 1630	Wm Jeffrey M.A. [4]
16 Feb. 1630-1	bur. 9 Dec. 1640	John Morton M.A. [4]
6 Jan. 1652 ft.	eject. 1662	John Nott M.A. [4]
15 Dec. 1662	bur. 19 Jan. 1672-3	Wm Peers B.A. [4]
8 July 1673		Geo Plaston M.A.

CURATES

occ. 1533	John Collyns [a]
occ. 1622-3	Peter Hadfield [a] [b]
occ. 1631	John Smith [a]
bur. 26 Nov. 1633	Robt Nicoles [a]

LIGHT

Certified in 1548 that some land here worth 4d. p.a. had been given to maintain a light in this parish church (6, 1).

BURLAUGHTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1503 or subsequently. Discovered in 1552 that there were 1 cow and 8 sheep belonging to this chapel in the hands of Robt Broke (m) or Blockeley (6).

WOODCOTE CHAPEL

Mentioned in 1563 as a chapel in this parish. It was situated in Shropshire and is not again mentioned in any document seen by the compiler.

NOTES

[1] Walker. Paid tax of 6s. 8d. as vicar here and 8s. as vicar of Wombourn in 1533.

[2] Morehouse, Moorhouse, Morris.

[3] Beecle. Either be or the curate of Mar subscribed in 1559.

[4] Dunne. Scholaris oxoniensis in artis 1569, in sacris litteris bene versatus; no preacher (1601 reform).

[5] Jeffrey. See Hamstall Ridware.

[6] Morton. M.A. 1629 Camb. (Ferm); ordained priest 19 Sep. 1629. On 2 Sep. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers ordered that the yearly rent of 40l. reserved and payable out of this impropriate rectory to Sir Rich Leveson kt of Trentham, delinquent, and from him sequestered should be paid to augment the salary of the minister here (MS. 323, p. 357; Shaw, ii, p. 427; Mon. Exch., s. 1, vol. cxiii, p. 291; King's Pamph., vol. cccxxxviii, No. 30).

[7] **Nott,** Knott. Fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1650 (*Venn*); son of Chas Nott, minister of Shelsey, Worc.; member of the Worcestershire association of pastors (*Shaw*, II, p. 455); assistant minister at Wolverhampton circa 1650; appointed assistant to the commissioners for the removal of scandalous ministers 1654; certified the fitness of many candidates for the ministry (*Lamb. MS.* 997, pt. i, p. 109, etc.); paid subsidy of 1*l.* in Jan. 1661-2; after his ejection preached at Hadley 1663-9; chaplain of Rich Hampden 1670-89; afterwards preached at Thame, co. Oxford, till his death in 1702, aged 77 (*Calamy*).

[8] **Peeres.** B.A. Emman. Coll. Camb.; ordained both deacon and priest 14 Dec. 1662; instituted 15 Dec. 1662 (*Dioc. Reg.*).

[9] **Collyns.** As curate? paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533. *See* **Weston-under-Lizard.**

[10] **Hadfield.** *See* **Tettenhall.**

[11] **Smith.** *See* **Audley.**

[12] **Nicoles.** Minister of the word of God (*Burial Reg.*).

[13] **Burlaughton.** In 1552 this name is written as Barlarten or Buloyton? and the chapel is wrongly assigned to Forton parish (*h, m*).

STAFFORD. CASTLE CHURCH (S. MARY)

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle D. It formerly belonged to Stafford collegiate church, the dean and prebendaries whereof paid the priest's salary, who ministered all sacraments and sacramentals here, as in a parish church, except burials (*b*). On 20 July 1548 the commissioners ordered that some "convenient person" should be appointed to serve this cure at a wage of 8*l.* os. o*d.*,[1] which was still being paid to the minister here in 1650 in accordance with their warrant.[2]

Ch. Orn., c. May 1553: 1 altar cloth; 2 altar hangings, 1 of white satin, 1 of painted cloth; 1 blue satin cope; 3 vestments, 1 of dornick, 1 of white diaper, 1 (old) of red & blue silk; 1 albe; 1 towel; 3 bells; 1 sanctus bell. Wm Stanforde of Rowley had claimed & taken away 1 silver pyx of 4 oz. On 25 Dec. 1551 the following had been stolen out of the church, viz.:—1 partly gilt silver chalice; 1 corporal with case; 2 altar cloths; 2 albes; 1 surplice; 2 towels.

In 1604 there were many recusants here.

(A convenient summary of its history is given by *Cherry*, p. 133.)

[1] Nott, Knott. Fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1650 (Venn); son of Chas Nott, minister of Sheley, Worc.; member of the Worcestershire association of pastors (Shaw, ii, p. 455); assistant minister at Wolverhampton circa 1650; appointed assistant to the commissioners for the removal of scandalous ministers 1654; certified the fitness of many candidates for the ministry (Camb. MS. 972, pt. i, p. 109, etc.); paid subsidy of 1l. in Jan. 1660–2; after his ejection preached at Hadley 1663–9; chaplain of Rich Hampden 1670–89; afterwards preached at Thame, co. Oxford, till his death in 1702, aged 77 (Calamy).

[8] Peers, B.A. Emman. Coll. Camb.; ordained both deacon and priest 14 Dec. 1662; instituted 15 Dec. 1665 (Dioc. Reg.).

[9] Collyns. Assessed paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1633. See Westen-under-Lizard.

[10] Hadfield. See Tettenhall.

[11] Smith. See Audley.

[12] Nicoles. Minister of the word of God (Revival Ag.).

[13] Burlaughton. In 1552 this name is written as Burlaton or Bulayton? and the chapel is wrongly assigned to Forton parish (A. w).

STAFFORD, CASTLE CHURCH (ST. MARY)

In 1503 a church with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle D. It formerly belonged to Stafford collegiate church, the dean and prebendaries whereof paid the priest a salary, who ministered all sacraments and sacramentals here, as in a parish church, except burials (b). On 20 July 1546 the commissioners ordered that some "convenient person" should be appointed to serve this cure at a wage of 8l. 0s. 0d.,[1] which was still being paid to the minister here in 1650 in accordance with their warrant.[2]

Ch. Orn., c. May 1553: 1 alter cloth; 2 alter hangings, 1 of white satin, 1 of painted cloth; 1 blue satin cope; 3 vestments, 1 of dornick, 1 of white diaper, 1 (old) of red & blue silk; 1 alb; 1 towel; 3 bells; 1 sanctus bell. Wm Stanford of Rowley had claimed & taken away 1 silver pyx of 4 oz. On 25 Dec. 1551 the following had been stolen out of the church, viz.: 4–1 partly gilt silver chalice; 1 corporal with case; 2 alter cloths; 2 albs; 1 surplice; 2 towels.

In 1604 there were many recusants here.

(A convenient summary of its history is given by Cawley, p. 133.)

CURATES

occ. 1568	bur. 10 Aug. 1621	John Cox [3]
1621	occ. 1658	John Lyneall [4]
occ. 1669-70		John Sherratt [5]
occ. 1673-1729		John Peploe

LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that this Castle parish had been endowed with S. Mary's meadow in Rickerscote worth 2*s.* 8*d.* p.a. for the perpetual maintenance of a light and such-like within the Castle church; also with a stock of ready money amounting to 1*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* given to be let out for hire and the gain thereof to be employed for ever in maintaining lights in the said church. Also certified that the same had been so employed until lights by commandment were taken away (*e*).

Discovered in 1552-3 that this meadow was let to Lewis Dickenson for 2*s.* and that it had belonged to a stipendiary priest (*h, l, n*); also that the stock of money then amounted to 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* and was in the hands of Lewis Dickenson and Wm Wythynsall and had belonged to a stipendiary priest here (*h, m*).

S. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 return.

The free chapel of S. John the Baptist in Forbridge, commonly called The Hospital, is certified in 1546 & 1548 to have been founded by Rauf, earl of Stafford, to maintain 4 poor people therein with 1 priest to sing (mass) for them in the chapel. In 1546 its net income is returned as 9*l.* 16*s.* 10*d.*, of which 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* was paid to the priest as his salary & 6*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* paid for the relief of poor people (*a*). In May 1548 the net income is given as 10*l.* 0*s.* 2*d.* & there were 5 oz. of partly gilt plate, ornaments worth 3*s.* 6*d.* & 2 bells in the end of the chapel. It is stated that no poor people have been sustained there within 5 years before the 4 Nov. last nor for a long time before (*b*). In June 1548 it is reported that the whole of the net income—then given as 8*l.* 12*s.* 2*d.*—is paid to the incumbent, as no poor people have been maintained there these 20 years past (*c*). The Rental gives the net income as 9*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.* The 2 bells were still there c. May 1553, but Rich Forsett, the surveyor, had taken

CURATES

occ. 1568 bur. 10 Aug. 1621 John Cox[a]
1621 occ. 1658 John Leveall[a]
occ. 1669-70 John Sherratt[a]
occ. 1673-1729 John Typlos

LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that this Castle parish had been endowed with S. Mary's meadow in Rickerscote worth 2s. 8d. p.a. for the perpetual maintenance of a light and such-like within the Castle church; also with a stock of ready money amounting to 1l. 16s. 8d. given to be let out for hire and the gain thereof to be employed for ever in maintaining lights in the said church. Also certified that the same had been so employed until lights by commandment were taken away (a).

Discovered in 1552-3 that this meadow was let to Lewis Dickenson for 2s. and that it had belonged to a stipendiary priest (b, 1, w); also that the stock of money then amounted to 1l. 13s. 4d. and was in the hands of Lewis Dickenson and Wm Wythynsall and had belonged to a stipendiary priest here (b, w).

S. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1536 return.

The free chapel of S. John the Baptist in Ferbridge, commonly called The Hospital, is certified in 1549 & 1548 to have been founded by Ranul, earl of Stafford, to maintain 4 poor people therein with 1 priest to sing (mass) for them in the chapel. In 1546 its net income is returned as 9l. 10s. 10d., of which 2l. 0s. 0d. was paid to the priest as his salary & 6l. 12s. 6d. paid for the relief of poor people (a). In May 1548 the net income is given as 10l. 0s. 2d. & there were 3 oz. of partly gilt plate, ornaments worth 3s. 6d. & 2 bells in the end of the chapel. It is stated that no poor people have been sustained there within 3 years before the 4 Nov. last nor for a long time before (b). In June 1548 it is reported that the whole of the net income—then given as 8l. 12s. 2d.—is paid to the incumbent, as no poor people have been maintained there these 20 years past (c). The Rental gives the net income as 9l. 11s. 0d. The 2 bells were still there c. May 1553, but Rich Forscett, the surveyor, had taken

away the chalice, vestments & other ornaments belonging to this chapel.

CHAPLAINS

occ. 1535	ob. 1538	Rich Egerton [6]
occ. 1548	depr. 1556	Wm Wriothesley [7]
27 Sep. 1556	depr. 1560	Thos Chedulton [8]

S. LEONARD'S CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 return.

The free chapel of S. Leonard by Forbridge, commonly called the Spittal chapel, within the parish of Our Lady of the Castle church and distant therefrom 1 mile, is certified in May 1548 to have been founded by Rauf, earl of Stafford, to maintain 1 priest & certain poor people there, but no poor people have been relieved "these 20 years past." It then had 1 bell at the end of the chapel, no plate or goods & its income was 6*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.* net p.a. (*b*). In 1546 its income was returned at 5*l.* 3*s.* 5*d.* net p.a. & the priest's salary at 4*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.* (*a*). In June 1548 these amounts are given as 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* and 4*l.* 1*s.* 11*d.* respectively, with nothing paid to the poor (*c*). The Rental gives the net income as 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (*See S. H. C.*, VIII, pt. ii, pp. 99, 100, 101.)

CHAPLAIN

occ. 1533-48	Wm Stafferton [9]

S. NICHOLAS CHAPEL

Not mentioned in the 1563 return.

The free chapel of S. Nicholas within Stafford castle. Reported in 1548 to have been founded for a priest to minister all sacraments and sacramentals to the inhabitants of Stafford castle and those who dwell within its park or appurtenances, except burials, as a parish church. Its clear yearly income was 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* all in tithes, of which 3*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* was the priest's salary. It had no plate or goods (*b, c, r*).

MASTERS

1533	Wm Stubbys [10]
occ. 1535	John ap Harry D.C.L. [11]
occ. 1545-8	Thos Salle [12]

away the chalice, vestments & other ornaments belonging to this chapel.

CHAPLAINS

occ. 1535	ob. 1538	Rich Egerton *
occ. 1548	depr. 1559	Wm Wotheley *
27 Sep. 1559	depr. 1560	Thos Chedilton *

S. LEONARD'S CHAPEL.

Not mentioned in the 1563 return.

The free chapel of S. Leonard by Forbridge, commonly called the Spittal chapel, within the parish of Our Lady of the Castle church and distant therefrom 1 mile, is certified in May 1548 to have been founded by Raul, earl of Stafford, to maintain 1 priest & certain poor people there, but no poor people have been relieved "these xx years past." It then had 1 bell at the end of the chapel, no plate or goods & its income was 6l. 19s. 10d. net p.a. (b). In 1549 its income was returned at 5l. 3s. 3d. net p.a. & the priest's salary at 4l. 14s. 2d. (a). In June 1548 these amounts are given as 4l. 13s. 4d. and 4l. 1s. 11d. respectively, with nothing paid to the poor (c). The Rental gives the net income as 4l. 13s. 4d. (See S. W. C., VIII, pt. ii, pp. 99, 100, 101.)

CHAPLAIN

occ. 1533-48 Wm Stallerton *

S. NICHOLAS CHAPEL.

Not mentioned in the 1563 return.

The free chapel of S. Nicholas within Stafford castle. Reported in 1548 to have been founded for a priest to minister all sacraments and sacramentals to the inhabitants of Stafford castle and those who dwell within its park or appurtenances, except burials, as a parish church. Its clear yearly income was 3l. 0s. 8d. all in tithes, of which 2l. 0s. 0d. was the priest's salary. It had no plate or goods (b, c, 7).

MASTERS

1533	Wm Stubbys [10]
occ. 1535	John ap Harry D.C.L. [11]
occ. 1543-8	Thos Salle [12]

NOTES

[1] *Grants.*

[2] *Fee Farm*, no. 114.

[3] **Cox.** Scholaris ruralis, indoctus; no preacher, no degree (1602-4 *returns*); ordained by Thos Bentham; paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1568 (19-516); salary 8*l.* in 1602.

[4] **Lyneall.** Curate of Weston-on-Trent 1610; of S. Chad's, Stafford, 1613. On 4 Jan. 1656-7 he obtained an order from the Protector for the payment of his stipend of 8*l.* to 29 Sep. 1656, which had not been paid since March 1654 (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* 123, f. 16, No. 406; cf. *Keeper*, 5, cap. ii, p. 260). In 1658 he complained bitterly of the meagreness of his salary in a poem addressed to Richard, lord Protector, which is printed in *S. H. C.*, VIII, pt. ii, pp. 90, 91. Possibly this poem was never sent, but on 23 June 1658 he certainly addressed a petition to him in which he states that he has been curate for 37 years and has been painful to draw souls to God, only receiving 8*l.* p.a. from the Exchequer, though the tithe & glebe lands are worth 100*l.* p.a. He says that his age is 70, his wife is 60, that they have had many children and have to hire a house in Stafford and that his salary is $1\frac{1}{4}$ years or 10*l.* in arrears (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* 181, f. 114, No. 116). In Feb. 1658-9 he again petitioned for his salary, which he stated was then $2\frac{1}{4}$ years in arrears (*ibid.* 201, f. 51).

[5] **Sherratt.** Ordained deacon 25 Sep. 1664, no degree (*Dioc. Reg.*).

[6] **Egerton.** *See* **Enville.**

[7] **Wriothesley.** Son of Thos earl of Southampton (*c* and *S. H. C.*, VI, n.s., pt. ii, p. 277); received a pension of 6*l.* in 1548 (*p*).

[8] **Chedulton.** *See* **Stafford S. Mary.**

[9] **Stafferton.** Described as magister in 1533, received pension of 4*l.* 1*s.* 11*d.* in 1548 (*p*).

[10] **Stubbys.** Described as magister and rector of S. Nicholas chapel in 1533.

[11] **ap Harry.** *See* **Blymhill.**

[12] **Salle,** Sawle. Received a pension of 60*s.* in 1548 (*p*). *See* **Church Eaton.**

STAFFORD S. CHAD'S

In 1563 a church approp. to the preb. of Prees & subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.[1]

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 corporal with case; 3 vestments, 1 of blue embroidered silk, 1 of white bustian, 1 of dun . . . spotted with yellow; 2 albes; 1 amice; 1 white and blue yarn cope; 2 altar cloths; 1 sanctus

NOTES

[1] Grants.

[2] Fee Farm, no. 114.

[3] Cox, Schoiaris rurales, indactus; no preacher, no degree (1601-4 returns); ordained by Thos Bentham (paid subsidy of 6s. 8d. in 1594 (19-5t6); salary 8l. in 1603.

[4] Lyneall, Curate of Weston-on-Trent 1610; of S. Chad's, Stafford, 1613. On 4 Jan 1656-7 he obtained an order from the Protector for the payment of his stipend of 8l. to 29 Sep. 1656, which had not been paid since March 1654 (S. P. Dom. Inter. 1x3, f. 16, No. 406; cf. Reg. 5, cap. ii, p. 200). In 1658 he complained bitterly of the meanness of his salary in a poem addressed to Richard, lord Protector, which is printed in S. R. V., viii pt. ii, pp. 90, 91. Possibly this poem was never sent, but on 21 June 1658 he certainly addressed a petition to him in which he states that he has been curate for 32 years and has been painful to draw souls to God, only receiving 8l. p.a. from the Sequestrator, though the tithe & glebe lands are worth 100l. p.a. He says that his age is 70, his wife is 60, that they have had many children and have to hire a house in Stafford and that his salary is 14 years or 1cl. in arrears (S. P. Dom. Inter. 181, f. 114, No. 110). In Feb. 1658-9 he again petitioned for his salary, which he stated was then 24 years in arrears (ibid. 201, f. 51).

[5] Sherratt. Ordained deacon 25 Sep. 1661, no degree (Dioc. Rec.).

[6] Egerton. See Enville.

[7] Wrightesley. Son of Thos earl of Southampton (6 and S. M. C., vi, n.s., pt. ii, p. 272); received a pension of 6l. in 1548 (?).

[8] Cheadulton. See Stafford S. Mary.

[9] Stafferton. Described as magister in 1533, received pension of 4l. 1s. 11d. in 1548 (?).

[10] Stubbys. Described as magister and rector of S. Nicholas chapel in 1533.

[11] ap Harry. See Blymhill.

[12] Salle, Sawle. Received a pension of 60s. in 1548 (?). See Church Eaton.

STAFFORD, S. CHAD'S

In 1563 a church approp. to the preb. of Prees & subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.[1]

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 corporal with case; 3 vestments, 1 of blue embroidered silk, 1 of white bustian, 1 of dun . . . spotted with yellow; 2 albes; 1 amice; 1 white and blue yarn cope; 2 altar cloths; 1 sanctus

bell (s); 4 bells; 1 great bell, which is accustomed to call the parishioners together in all things pertaining to the town of Stafford. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Whitby & Robt Downes.

CURATES

occ. 1583-5	Robt Watte [2]
occ. 1588-93	Rich Harte [3]
occ. 1610-13	John Lyneall [4]
occ. 1637	Rich Jessop [5]
occ. 1648-52	Rich Bailey [6]
occ. 1660	Caleb Stopford B.A. [7]
occ. 1662	John Wright [8]
ob. 1697	John Nash M.A. [9]

NOTES

[1] *See Cherry*, pp. 130 *et seq.*, for an interesting account of this church and its history by the Rev. Wm Beresford.

[2] **Watte.** His children were baptized at S. Mary's, Stafford, circa 1582-5.

[3] **Harte.** Scholaris ruralis, malis moribus, ad modum indoctus; ordained by Wm, bp of Llandaff.

[4] **Lyneall.** *See* **Stafford, Castle Church.**

[5] **Jessop.** Mentioned in the Salt transcripts of parish register. Possibly B.A. 1580-1 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[6] **Bailey,** Bell. Possibly educated at Cambridge (*Venn*). Signed testimony in 1648. On 1 July 1646 the committee for plundered ministers stated that the salary of the minister here was only 25*l.* p.a. and ordered some augmentation to be made to it (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 267). This does not seem to have been done, for in Feb. 1657-8 the mayor and inhabitants of Stafford say that this minister has but 16*l.* p.a. and beg that it may be augmented by 30*l.* p.a. (*S. P. Dom.* CLXX, 19, 62). The trustees granted an augmentation of 40*l.* p.a., but the name of the recipient is not known (*Lamb. MSS.* 981, p. 22, and 994, p. 142).

[7] **Stopford.** B.A. 1658 Brasenose Coll. Ox. (*Foster*).

[8] **Wright.** *See* **Seighford.**

[9] **Nash.** *Idem.*

STAFFORD. S. MARY'S

In 1563 a vicarage with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle D. The chapels at Enson, Hopton, Marston, Salt and

bell (s); 4 bells; 1 great bell, which is accustomed to call the parishioners together in all things pertaining to the town of Stafford. Ch. wds.: Thos Whitby & Robt Downes.

CURATES

occ. 1583-5	Robt Watte [2]
occ. 1588-93	Rich Harte [3]
occ. 1610-13	John Lyneall [4]
occ. 1637	Rich Jessop [5]
occ. 1643-52	Rich Bailey [6]
occ. 1660	Caleb Stopford B.A. [7]
occ. 1663	John Wright [8]
ob. 1697	John Nash M.A. [9]

NOTES

[1] See Cherry, pp. 120 et seq., for an interesting account of this church and its history by the Rev. Wm Dereslord.

[2] Watte. His children were baptized at S. Mary's, Stafford, circa 1582-5.

[3] Harte. Scholaris mualis, malis moribus, ad modum indoctus; ordained by Wm, bp of Llandaff.

[4] Lyneall. See Stafford, Castle Church.

[5] Jessop. Mentioned in the Salt transcripts of parish registers. Possibly B.A. 1580-1 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[6] Bailey, Bell. Possibly educated at Cambridge (Venn). Signed testimony in 1618. On 1 July 1640 the committee for plundered ministers stated that the salary of the minister here was only 23l. p.a. and ordered some augmentation to be made to it (Rel. MS. 323, p. 267). This does not seem to have been done, for in Feb. 1657-8 the mayor and inhabitants of Stafford say that this minister has but 16l. p.a. and beg that it may be augmented by 20l. p.a. (S. P. Dom. clxx, 19, 62). The trustees granted an augmentation of 40l. p.a., but the name of the recipient is not known (Rel. MS. 98, p. 22, and 99, p. 142).

[7] Stopford, B.A. 1658 Brasenose Coll. Ox. (Foster).

[8] Wright. See Seighford.

[9] Nash. Idem.

STAFFORD, S. MARY'S

In 1563 a vicarage with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle D. The chapels at Eason, Hopton, Marston, Salt and

Whitgreave are mentioned directly after S. Mary's church in the 1563 return, but apparently were not at that time annexed to it, so they are given separately in this work.

In Feb. 1546 the commissioners certify that the college had been founded by King John to find a dean, 12 prebendaries, 4 priest vicars & 4 clerk vicars to sing divine service within the collegiate and parish church of Our Lady within the town of Stafford & that the revenue of the college amounted to 96*l.* os. 11*d.*, which was thus expended:—

6*l.* 13*s.* 9¾*d.* on the tenths,
43*l.* 12*s.* 11¾*d.* on the salaries of the dean and prebendaries,
39*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* on the salaries of 8 (*sic*) priests,
1*l.* 12*s.* 0*d.* on the stipends of 4 clerk vicars, viz. 8*s.* each,
2*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* on the dean's pension,
0*l.* 2*s.* 2½*d.* on the dean's procurations,
2*l.* os. 0*d.* on wine and wax.

They state further that the college had the cure of 3,000 houseling people; that there was a house let to John ap Harry at 8*s.* p.a. for 60 years, wherein divers ministers did lie, and that there were no plate, jewels, ornaments, goods or chattels belonging to the same (*a*).

In 1548 the annual value of its possessions is returned at 97*l.* 19*s.* 10½*d.* plus a pension paid to Edw Gifford gent. of 2*l.* os. 0*d.* (*c*), and circa 1550 at 100*l.* 2*s.* 2½*d.* (*r*).

On 20 July 1548 the commissioners ordered that the church of the late college of Stafford should continue and be a parish church, with Thos Chedulton as vicar with a stipend of 16*l.* os. 0*d.* p.a. and Rauf Blower to "serve the cure" there with a wage of 5*l.* os. 0*d.* p.a.[1]

Patrons: 1572 the Burgesses of Stafford, 1604 the Crown.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 2 partly gilt silver chalices with patens; 5 vestments, 1 of cloth of gold with albe, amice & stole, 1 of white bustian with an albe, 1 of red velvet pearled with gold with an albe, 1 of blue & white silk with an albe, 1 of . . . . ; 4 suites, 1* of blue damask, 1* of white damask with cope, 1* of black worsted, 1 of red silk woven with gold thread without albes (these* with all things to them); 5 copes, 1 of white damask, 1 of black camlet, 1 of tawney velvet, 2 "cowarce" copes of red & yellow silk; 1 red & green dornick tunacle; 4 great bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell. Note: 1 crimson velvet cope &

3 embroidered crimson velvet vestments for priest, deacon & subdeacon are in the hands of Sir Thos Bolton, Clerk, as executor of Dr ap Harry, deceased, to whom the parishioners had lent them. **Ch. wds.:** Robt Loute & Thos Crumpton.

In 1604 there were many recusants here.

THE DEANS

occ. 1533-35	Thos Parker B.Can.L. [2]
occ. c. 1537-48	Edw Leighton D.D. [3]

PREB. OF BLORETON OR BLURTON

occ. 1535	Robt Walche B.Can.L.? [4]
19 Dec. 1545 ff. occ. 1548	Thos Bolt B.D. [5]

PREB. OF COTON

occ. 1533-35	Matthew Byll [6]
23 June 1544 ff. occ. 1548	John ap Harry D.C.L. [7]

PREB. OF CROFTES

occ. 1535-48	Rich Shutt [8]

PREB. OF DENSTON

occ 1535	Roger Dyngley D.D. [9]
23 June 1544 ff.	John ap Harry D.C.L. [7]
occ. 1548	Thos Chedulton [10]

PREB. OF HARVY

occ. 1535-48	Hen Collyns M.A.? [11]

PREB. OF HERBERTON OR ORBERTON

occ. 1535	John Goderych
26 June 1544 ff. occ. 1548	Wm Dodde [12]

PREB. OF MARSTON

occ. 1533-35	Geo Colyer
10 Nov. 1546 ff. occ. 1548	Edw Careless [13]

PREB. OF POTERELL OR POWTRELLY

occ. 1535	— Fyld
occ. 1548	Thos Rogers M.A.? [14]

PREB. OF SALT

occ. 1533—c. 48	John Redman D.D. [15]

PREB. OF SANDALL

occ. 1535	Robt Haldesworth
occ. 1548	Robt Goodryche D.D. [16]

PREB. OF SWETNAM

occ. 1535	Chas Bold
8 Oct. 1542 ff. occ. 1548	Geo Rogers [17]

PREB. OF WALSALL

occ. 1535	Sampson Lord B.Can.L. [18]
5 June 1546 ff.	(Thos?) Tomkinson [19]
occ. 1547-8	Hugh Tomkynson [20]

VICARS CHORAL

occ. 1533-42	Matthew Byll [6]
occ. 1533	Thos Whittelles [21]
occ. 1533	Thos Sterrope
occ. 1533	Wm Yate [22]
occ. 1533	Hum Peckeman [23]
occ. 1533	Matthew Whittynton
occ. 1533	Thos Hyggyns
occ. 1533	Nich Gaywode
occ. 1548	Rauf Blower [24]
occ. 1548	James Fox [25]
occ. 1548	Peter Pendebury [26]
occ. 1548	Wm Borne [27]
occ. 1548	Wm Grene [28]
occ. 1548	John Hallam [29]
occ. 1548	Robt Sutton [30]
occ. 1548	Rich Whittell [31]

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occ. 1548 Peter Pendebury **
occ. 1548 Wm Horne **
occ. 1548 Wm Crene **
occ. 1548 John Hallam **
occ. 1548 Robt Sutton **
occ. 1548 Rich Whittell **

STIPENDIARIES

occ. 1533		John Wyldeblod [32]
occ. 1533		John Bromley
occ. 1548		John Trafford [33]

VICARS

20 July 1548	(depr. 1560)?	Thos Chedulton [34]
	w.p. 31 July 1564	Ralph Clayton [35]
occ. 1568		Hugh Tomkynson [36]

RECTORS

15 July 1572	bur. 2 Dec. 1587	Robt Sutton LL.B. [37]
4 Dec. 1587	bur. 9 July 1639	John Palmer M.A. [38]
11 Sep. 1639	(res. 1648)?	Daniel Bayley M.A.? [39]
occ. 1651-2		Gilbert Seabrook M.A.? [40]
occ. 1653	ob. Feb. 1656-7	Nathaniel Bryan M.A.? [41]
Feb. 1656-7	eject. c. 1661	Noah Bryan M.A. [42]
(1661)?	bur. 1 Aug. 1676	Daniel Bayley M.A.? [39]
1676		Robt Moss

CURATES

22 July 1548	occ. 1564	Ralph Blower [24]
(occ. 1587		Wm Horne M.A.?)? [37]
occ. 1655-60		John Greensmith M.A.? [43]

THE CHANTRY

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which in 1546 the Certifiers said ought not to be paid because—they asserted—it was then a school and not a chantry (*a*). On 18 Nov. 1550 King Edward granted the possessions of this chantry and other chapels near Stafford to the bailiffs to erect and found a free school here.[44]

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533 ob. 1552 Humphrey Peckeman[45]

OBITS

The following left rents of the amounts named for obits to be kept in this church.

Thos Bulkeley 3*s.* 4*d.* (*e*); Wm Dentith, clk., 4*s.* 2*d.* (*r*) or 2*s.* 0*d.* (*b*)[44]; Robt Doryngton 3*s.* 4*d.* (*e*); Robt Forster 3*s.* 0*d.* (*b, r*); John Mylles 3*s.* 0*d.* (*b, r*)[44]; Thos Phillips 3*s.* 0*d.* (*e*); Isabell Robyns 1*s.* 4*d.* (*e*); Thos Robyns 2*s.* 0*d.* (*b*)[44]; Robt Wells 6*s.* 8*d.*, of which to the poor 3*s.* 8*d.* (*b, c, r*).[44]

LAMP

Certified in 1548 that Rauf Launder had given a rent of 1*s.* 8*d.* to maintain a lamp in the church (*b, r*).

LIGHTS

Certified in 1548 that a rent of 1*s.* 0*d.* had been given for a light before the Crucifix (*b, r*).

NOTES

[1] *Grants.*

[2] **Parker.** *See page* 268 and *S. H. C.*, VIII, pt. ii, pp. 143, 144.

[3] **Leighton.** D.D. 1532 Oxford; held many preferments; e.g. canon of Cardinal Coll. Ox. 1524-30, of Westminster 1540-?, archd. of Salisbury 1544-?, etc. etc. (*Foster*). Probably preb. of Bonehill. In 1548 his salary as dean here was 28*l.* 6*s.* 0*d.* (*c*).

[4] **Walche.** Probably B.Can.L. 1533 at Oxford, secular chaplain (*Foster*).

[5] **Bolt.** In 1548 his salary was 12*s.* *See* **Church Eaton.**

[6] **Byll.** Both sacristan and preb. of Coton.

[7] **ap Harry.** In 1548 his net salary and pension was 5*l.* (*c, p*). He paid the first fruits for the prebends of Denston and Coton on the same day, but probably soon resigned Denston. *See* **Church Eaton** for his other preferments.

[8] **Shutt.** In 1548 his salary and pension was 6*s.* (*c, p*).

[9] **Dyngley.** *See* **Bradeley.**

[10] **Chedulton.** Preb. of Denston, when Rich Forsett, supervisor, recommended him to the commissioners as "mete to be vicar" here; preb. of Pipa parva (1552-c. 60); chaplain of Forbridge Hospital (1556, depr. 1560); probably vicar of Worfield (1545, depr. 1562; *Gee*, p. 155) and probably deprived of this living c. 1560. Buried here 20 June 1589; then described as "formerly rector of this church"; living in Castle Church parish in November 1577, when reported upon by the bishop of Lich. to the Privy Council as one of the many Staffordshire gentlepeople who "come not to church to hear Divine Service." His land was then valued by the Justices—Trentham and Bagot—as being worth but 2*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* p.a., but the bishop thought that they considerably underestimated the value of the property of their recusant neighbours, so he returned Chedulton as being worth 20*l.* in goods. In a supplementary report made on 1 Feb. 1577-8 he valued his goods at 40*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* and his land at 5*l.* p.a. (*S. P. Dom. Eliz.* CXVIII, No. 17).

It will be remembered that the amount of the fine for recusancy depended on the value of the recusant's property.

[11] **Collyns.** One of this name took his M.A. at Oxford in 1526 (*Foster*). In 1548 he had a salary and received a pension of 4*s.* 6*d.* (*c, p*).

[12] **Dodde.** Described as a gentleman (*c*). In 1548 he had a salary and received a pension of 16*s.* 4*d.* (*c, p*).

[13] **Careless.** Salary 1548 7*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.* (*c*); pension 6*l.* (*p*). *See page* 297.

[14] **Rogers.** Two men of this name took their degrees at Oxford in 1544 (*Foster*). Salary 1548 3*s.* 7*d.* (*c*); received pension of 3*s.* 7*d.* (*p*).

[15] **Redman.** One of the compilers of the Liturgy of 1549; held a good many preferments. In Staffordshire he was archd. of Stafford (1540-47). Buried at Westminster in 1551 (*Simms*; *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 116, pp. 122, 124). Salary 1548 1*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.* (*c*), pension same (*p*).

[16] **Goodryche.** Salary 1548 5*s.* 1½*d.* (*c*); pension 5*s.* (*p*).

[17] **Rogers** (Geo). Salary 1548 12*s.* (*c*); pension same (*p*).

[18] **Lord.** B.Can.L. 1519 Oxford (*Foster*).

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[22] **Yate.** Canon of Penkridge in 1548.

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[25] **Fox** (Jas). Vicar choral for preb. of Coton; salary 5*l.*; received pension of 100*s.* in 1548 (*d, p*). One of this name vicar choral at Lichfield (c. 1557-9) and subscribed in 1559.

[26] **Pendebury.** Vicar choral for the dean; salary 5*l.*; received pension of 100*s.* in 1548 (*d, p*); probably became vicar of Wednesbury (q.v.).

[27] **Borne.** Vicar choral for preb. of Marston; salary 5*l.*; received pension of 100*s.* in 1548 (*d, p, q*).

[28] **Grene.** Vicar choral here in 1548; received pension of 20*s.* (*p*). *See* **Barton, Tatenhill.**

[29] **Hallam.** Received pension of 20*s.* in 1548 (*p*).

[30] **Sutton.** Received pension of 20*s.* in 1548 (*p*). Possibly became vicar of Wednesbury (q.v.) in 1558.

[31] **Whittell.** Received pension of 20*s.* in 1548 (*p, q*).

[32] **Wyldeblod.** *See* **Caverswall.**

[33] **Trafford.** Received pension of 46*s.* 8*d.* in 1548 as a priest of the college of Stafford (*p*).

[34] **Chedulton.** *See note* 10.

[35] **Clayton,** Cleton. Buried here as vicar 30 July 1564. *See* **Lichfield S. Mary.**

[36] **Tomkynson.** *See note* 20.

[37] **Sutton.** M.A. 1567 Ch. Ch. Oxford, B.C.L. 1580 (*Foster*); rector of Forton 1572-80, of Lutterworth, Leic., 1571-?; preb. of Dassett parva and Statfold (1578-87). By his will dated 20 Nov. 1587 and proved 19 Mar. 1587-8 he founded 4 scholarships at the Stafford grammar school worth 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* p.a. each and left further sums for the poor and a preacher on the anniversary of his death. (*Cherry*, p. 74.) One of his executors was Wm Horne, preacher, and possibly M.A. 1582 Queens' Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). In 1578 Sutton presented to the rectory of Himley, acting for Sir Edw Sutton kt, lord Dudley, the true patron.

[38] **Palmer.** M.A. doctus et praedicator publicus; a preacher, non-resident, pluralist (1602-4 *returns*), probably fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., B.A. 1579-80, M.A. 1583, B.D. 1592 (*Venn*); ordained and instituted here by Wm Overton; rector of Leigh 1601-39; gave two houses for poor widows to live in (*Cherry*, p. 75); will pr. 22 July 1639 (*P. C. C.* 129, *Harvey*). Rectory worth 60*l.* in 1604.

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** **Whitell**. Received pension of 20s. in 1548 (p).

** **Wyldebon**. See **Caverswall**.

** **Trafford**. Received pension of 40s. 6d. in 1548 as a priest of the college of Stafford (p).

** **Cheduton**. See note 10.

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[39] **Bayley,** Baylie, Baily. Probably M.A. 1626 Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Married 28 Aug. 1627 at Haughton Philip (*sic*) Bolde; appointed rector of Tixall by parliament 1648 (*Shaw*, II, p. 363); said to have been sequestered from Stafford for not having taken the covenant (*Walker*); restored to Stafford c. 1661; paid subsidy of 1*l.* therefor 2 Jan. 1661-2; died rector of this church and of Tixall. On 1 July 1646 the committee for plundered ministers found that there were two ministers at this church, one with 16*l.* p.a. and one with but 1*l.* p.a., and ordered that their salaries should be increased (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 267), probably with 22*l.* from High Offley rectory (q.v.).

[40] **Seabrook.** A clerk of this name M.A. 1619 Magd. Hall, Ox.; married 1622 Elizabeth, dau. of Rich Silverlocke of Chipping Barnet; became rector of Desford, Kent, 1621 and of Hothfield, Kent, 1645, being presented to this last by the committee for plundered ministers (*Foster*).

[41] **Bryan** (Nath). Probably M.A. 1653 Peterhouse Coll. Camb. (*Venn*); son of John Bryan D.D.; married 1655 Rachel Fowler of Salt (*Cherry*, pp. 44, 125; *Beresford*, p. 242). In 1657 his father was a preacher of the word at Coventry (*King's Pamph.* 745, No. 2) and is reputed to have been fellow of Peterhouse, Camb., though not given by Venn.

[42] **Bryan** (Noah). M.A. 1657 Peterhouse Coll. Camb. (*Venn, Foster*); admitted to this rectory Feb. 1656-7 by the commissioners on the presentation of the Lord Protector (*Lamb. MS.* 998, p. 73); perhaps on the petition of the parishioners (*Cherry*, p. 125); after ejection became chaplain to the earl of Donegall; died in Ireland, 1667 (*Calamy*). In Feb. 1657-8 the mayor and inhabitants of Stafford petitioned the Protector for a 40*l.* augmentation to his salary of 24*l.* (*S. P. Dom.* CLXX, 19-62), which the trustees granted or confirmed by their order dated 20 Jan. 1658-9 (*Lamb. MSS.* 995, p. 495; cf. 994, p. 142; 981, p. 22).

[43] **Greensmith.** Appointed lecturer here in 1655 with a salary of 50*l.* p.a. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* CII, 15, 19; *Lamb. MSS.* 981, p. 21; 994, p. 142; *Shaw*, II, p. 505; *Beresford*, p. 242). *See* **Colwich.**

[44] *Grants*, No. 9.

[45] **Peckeman.** *See note* 23.

STANDON

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments with all things to them belonging; 6 altar cloths; 3 towels;

«« **Bayley**, Baylie, Baily. Probably M.A. 1620 Emmanu. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Married 25 Aug. 1627 at Haughton Philip (sic) Beake: appointed rector of Tixall by parliament 1648 (Shaw, ii, p. 303), said to have been sequestered from Stafford for not having taken the covenant (Walker); restored to Stafford c. 1661; paid subsidy of £1 there for 2 Jan. 1661-2; died rector of this church and of Tixall. On 1 July 1646 the committee for plundered ministers found that there were two ministers at this church, one with 16l. p.a. and one with but 1l. p.a., and ordered that their salaries should be increased (Nat. MS. 323, p. 207), probably with 22l. from High Offley rectory (q.v.).

«« **Seabrook**. A clerk of this name M.A. 1670 Magd. Hall, Ox.; married 1622 Elizabeth, dau. of Rich Silverlocke of Chipping Barnet; became rector of Desford, Kent, 1621 and of Hothfield, Kent, 1645, being presented to this last by the committee for plundered ministers (Foster).

«« **Bryan** (Nath). Probably M.A. 1653 Peterhouse Coll. Camb. (Venn); son of John Bryan D.D.; married 1655 Rachel Fowler of Salt (Chetwy, pp. 44, 125; Berresford, p. 242). In 1637 his father was a preacher of the word at Coventry (King's Pamph. 245, No. 2) and is reputed to have been fellow of Peterhouse, Camb., though not given by Venn.

«« **Bryan** (Noah). M.A. 1657 Peterhouse Coll. Camb. (Venn, Foster); admitted to this rectory Feb. 1650-7 by the commissioners on the presentation of the Lord Protector (Lamb. MS. 995, p. 73); perhaps on the petition of the parishioners (Chetwy, p. 125); after ejection became chaplain to the earl of Donegall; died in Ireland, 1667 (Calamy). In Feb. 1657-8 the mayor and inhabitants of Stafford petitioned the Protector for a 40l. augmentation to his salary of 24l. (S. P. Dom. cxxx, 10-62), which the trustees granted or confirmed by their order dated 20 Jan. 1658-9 (Lamb. MS. 995, p. 495; cf. 994, p. 142; 987, p. 22).

«« **Greensmith**. Appointed lecturer here in 1655 with a salary of 50l. p.a. (S. P. Dom. Inter. cii, 15, 19; Lamb. MS. 98, p. 21; 994, p. 142; Shaw, ii, p. 305; Berresford, p. 242). See Cotwich.

«« **Grants**, No. 9.

«« **Peckleman**. See note 23.

STANDON

In 1503 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments with all things to them belonging; 6 altar cloth; 3 towels;

1 gilt copper cross; 1 sanctus bell; 3 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** John Wettwood & Thos Ameson.

Patron: 1570 Simon Harcourt.

RECTORS

	ob. 1526	Nich Hyde
20 Sep. 1526	(depr. 1570)?	Wm Bacon [1]
20 Dec. 1570	bur. 2 Aug. 1604	Robt Aston [2]
9 Nov. 1604	occ. 1644 (1647)?	John Greenwood M.A. [3]
22 June 1648 ff.	bur. 16 Mar. 1671-2	Edward Nevill B.A.? [4]
22 July 1672 ff.		Samuel Alsager

CURATE ?

(occ. 1581	ob. April 1631	John Huntbech)? [5]

LIGHTS

Certified in 1548 that Thos Weston, priest, had given lands then worth 6*d*. p.a. for a lamp to burn continually before the Sacrament in the parish church for ever, which was to be maintained by the wardens of Our Lady (*b*, *r*).

NOTES

[1] **Bacon.** Paid tax of 9*s*. 4*d*. in 1533; subscribed in 1559; appears to have bought the advowson of the living in 1565 (*S. H. C.*, XIII, p. 249). As Aston was instituted on the deprivation of a former rector, who is not named, it is probable that Bacon was deprived of this living in 1570.

[2] **Aston.** *See* **Alstonefield.**

[3] **Greenwood.** *See* **Ingestre.** Rectory worth 60*l*. in 1604.

[4] **Nevill,** Newall. Probably son of Thos Nevill of Wetwood, co. Staff.; educated at Pemb. and Oriel colleges, Ox.; B.A. 1634 (*Foster*); signed the testimony in 1648; certified the fitness of a candidate for the ministry in 1657 (*Lamb. MS.* 998, p. 190), paid a subsidy of 2*l*. 10*s*. 0*d*. in Jan. 1661-2.

[5] **Huntbech.** Occurs occasionally as " clerk " in this register from 1581 until his death. Perhaps curate of Maer 1606 and of Ingestre 1620, since Greenwood was also rector of Ingestre.

STOKE-ON-TRENT

In 1563 a rectory, with 6 chapels of ease with cure at Bagnall, Bucknall, Burslem, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Norton-in-the-moors, and Whitmore, in Newcastle D.

1 gilt copper cross; 1 sanctus bell; 3 bells (6). Ch. wds.: John Wettwood & Thos Amesson.

Patron: 1570 Simon Harcourt.

RECTORS

	ob. 1530	Rich. Hyde
20 Sep. 1536	(depr. 1570)[1]	Wm Bacon[1]
20 Dec. 1570	bur. 3 Aug. 1604	Robt Aston[2]
9 Nov. 1604	occ. 1644 (1647)[3]	John Greenwood M.A.[3]
22 June 1648 R.	bur. 16 Mar. 1671-2	Edward Nevill B.A.[4]
22 July 1672 R.		Samuel Alanger

CURATE ?

(occ. 1581)	ob. April 1594	John Hunt(ingdon)[5]

LIGHTS

Certified in 1548 that Thos Weston, priest, had given lands then worth 6d. p.a. for a lamp to burn continually before the Sacrament in the parish church for ever, which was to be maintained by the wardens of Our Lady (b. 7).

NOTES

[1] Bacon. Tithe tax of 9s. 4d. in 1533; subscribed in 1539; appears to have bought the advowson of the living in 1595 (S. N. C., xiii, p. 240). As Aston was instituted on the deprivation of a former rector, who is not named, it is probable that Bacon was deprived of this living in 1570.

[2] Aston. See Alstonfield.

[3] Greenwood. See Ingestre. Rector by worth 6d. in 1604.

[4] Nevill, Newall. Probably son of Thos Nevill of Wetwood, co. Stafl.; educated at Pemb. and Oriel colleges, Ox.; B.A. 1644 (Foster); signed the testimony in 1648; certified the fitness of a candidate for the ministry in 1657 (Laws. MS. 298, p. 100), paid a subsidy of 2d. 1662, od. in Jan. 1661-2.

[5] Huntbach. Occurs occasionally as "clerk" in this register from 1581 until his death. Perhaps curate of Mar 1606 and of Ingestre 1620, since Greenwood was also rector of Ingestre.

STOKE-ON-TRENT

In 1563 a rectory, with 6 chapels of ease with cure at Hanyall, Burslem, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Norton-in-the-moors, and Whitmore in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 copes; 5 vestments with all things to them; 1 maslyn cross with maslyn "fotte"; 1 maslyn censer; 2 cruets; 1 small bell; 3 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** Frances Cradoke, Hen Inderley, Robt Ege & John Fenton.

In 1604 a very great parish, consisting of 25 townships.

The introduction to the printed parish register contains a list of most of the rectors and the patrons from 1175 to 1915.

RECTORS

occ. 1493	ob. 1538	Rich Egerton [1]
20 Mar. 1538	ob. c. 1552-3	Robt Whityngton D. of G. & R. [2]
22 Ap. 1553 ff.	ob. 1575	John Copenall [3]
10 June 1575	occ. 1593	Roger Reynolds M.A.? [4]
(29 June 1602 ff.		Anthony Carbury)? [5]
7 July 1602 ff.	occ. 1604	Wm Overton D.D. [6]
4 Mar. 1603-4	occ. 1617	John Weston, D.C.L. [7]
22 Oct. 1618	bur. 25 Mar. 1633	Wm Primrose M.A. [8]
10 May 1633	ob. 1692	John Mainwaring D.D. [9]
1692	res. 1697	John Repton B.A. [10]

Curates

occ. 1533-6		Thos Campston [11]
occ. 1559?-74		John Cartwright [12]
occ. 1578		Thos Trimley [13]
occ. c. 1586		John Wilkinson [14]
occ. 1586-93		Roger Bolton [15]
occ. 1602-6		Thos Lightfoot [16]
occ. 1631	bur. 8 Jan. 1632-3	Rich Bromfield [17]
occ. 1633	bur. 18 Jan. 1642-3	Hum Beardmore M.A.? [18]
occ. June 1661		Wm Lowndes B.A.? [19]
occ. 1662-3		Chas Bagnold B.A. [20]
occ. 1669-71		Jas Corbett [21]
occ. 1672		Rich Crowther
occ. 1673		Thos Taylor
occ. 1675		Josias Lightfoot [22]
occ. 1676-9		Wm Walker
occ. 1680-8		Jas Bromfield

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 copes; 5 vestments with all things to them; 1 masyn cross with masyn "lotte"; 1 masyn censer; 2 cruets; 1 small bell; 3 bells (4).
Ch. wds.: Francis Cradoke, Hen Inderley, Robt Eye & John Fenton.

In 1604 a very great parish, consisting of 45 townships.

The introduction to the printed parish register contains a list of most of the rectors and the patrons from 1275 to 1715.

RECTORS

occ. 1493	ob. 1538	Rich Egerton [1]
20 Mar. 1538	ob. c. 1552-3	Robt Whitington D. of C. & R. [2]
22 Ap. 1553 ff.	ob. 1575	John Copenall [3]
10 June 1575	occ. 1593	Roger Reynolds M.A. [4]
(29 June 1602 ff.		Anthony Canbury)? [5]
7 July 1602 ff.	occ. 1604	Wm Overton D.D. [6]
4 Mar. 1603-4	occ. 1617	John Weston, D.C.L. [7]
22 Oct. 1618	bur. 25 Mar. 1633	Wm Frimrose M.A. [8]
10 May 1633	ob. 1692	John Mainwaring D.D. [9]
1692	res. 1697	John Repton B.A. [10]

CURATES

occ. 1533-6		Thos Campston [11]
occ. 1570?-74		John Farwright [12]
occ. 1578		Thos Trinkly [13]
occ. c. 1586		John Willinson [14]
occ. 1586-93		Roger Bolton [15]
occ. 1602-6		Thos Lightfoot [16]
occ. 1631	bur. 8 Jan. 1632-3	Rich Bromfield [17]
occ. 1633	bur. 18 Jan. 1642-3	Hum Bordmore M.A.? [18]
occ. June 1661		Wm Lowndes B.A.? [19]
occ. 1662-3		Chas Bagnold B.A. [20]
occ. 1669-71		Jas Corbett [21]
occ. 1672		Rich Crowther
occ. 1673		Thos Taylor
occ. 1675		Josias Lightfoot [22]
occ. 1676-9		Wm Walker
occ. 1680-8		Jas Bromfield

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Thos Adams left 12*d* to this service in 1536.[23] In the reigns of Mary and Elizabeth the income from the late possessions of the chantry of the B. Mary within this church is certified at 6*l*. 5*s*. 1*d*.[24]

INCUMBENT

(occ. 1533 w.p. 13 May 1538 Thos Brodwall)?[25]

SERVICE OF S. NICHOLAS AND S. KATHERINE

Thos Adams left 2*s*. to this service in 1536.[23]

S. LOYE'S HOSPITAL

Certified in 1546 that certain lands let for 2*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. p.a. belonged to this hospital and that the rent was paid to a priest called the master of the hospital of S. Loye, which was distant 1 mile from the parish church. The then incumbent did not know the name of the founder, nor to what purpose, or intent, or deed of charity this hospital had been founded (*a*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1546 Not named (*a*)

BAGNALL CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

CURATES

occ. 1593 a curate[26]
occ. 1604 Thos Goodwin[27]
occ. 1620 John Tomson[28]
occ. 1651-2 Roger Wetton
occ. 1666 Thos Cook

BUCKNALL CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

CURATES

occ. 1593 a curate[26]
occ. 1604-20 Thos Shaw[29]
occ. 1651-2 Rich Orme[30]

BURSLEM CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments; 1 amice; 1 fan; 1 albe; 1 stole; 1 surplice; 1 green cope; 1 sacring bell; 3 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** Rich Heath & Wm Sympson.

Described in 1604 as a church annexed to Stoke.

CURATES

occ. 1532-40?		Thos Heath [31]
occ. c. 1540-55		Thos Astbury [32]
	bur. 12 Aug. 1579	Edw Nock [33]
occ. 1593		a curate [26]
occ. 1602-4		Ralph Wood [34]
occ. 1620		Rich Bromsall
occ. 1638-45		Isaac Keeling M.A. [35]
5 Oct. 1645	bur. 2 Jan. 1672-3	John Stephenson M.A. [36]
c. Jan. 1672-3	bur. 29 May 1688	Geo Hargreaves

CHAPLAIN

occ. 1533		Thos. Turner [37]

NEWCASTLE CHAPEL (S. GILES)

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 5 copes; 2 palls; 11 vestments; 9 albes; 7 tunacles; 5 altar cloths; 2 corporals with cases; 2 towels; 1 sanctus bell; 4 bells (*s*). 2 brass candlesticks had been sold by Rich Norton, the late ch. wd. **Ch. wds.:** John Lymford & John Fenton.

Described in 1604 as a church annexed to Stoke with curateship of tithes in kind by the Parson's allowance, worth 20 marks.

CURATES

occ. 1533	w.p. 3 July 1543	Wm Delf [38]
occ. 1556		Hen Prescott [39]
occ. 1558		Robt Tyrvyn [40]
occ. 1593		John Vernan [41]
occ. 1602		Arthur Storer M.A. [42]
occ. 1604		Marsh [43]
occ. 1620	bur. 18 July 1646	Nicholas Richardson

HURSLEM CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments; 1 amice; 1 lan; 1 albe, 1 stole; 1 surplice; 1 [illegible]; 1 sacring bell; 3 bells (3). **Ch. wds.:** Rich Heath & Wm Sympson.

Described in 1604 as a church annexed to Stoke.

CURATES

occ. 1532-40?		Thos Heath [1]
occ. c. 1540-55		Thos Astbury [2]
	bur. 12 Aug. 1570	Edw Nock [3]
occ. 1593		a curate [4]
occ. 1602-4		Ralph Wood [5]
occ. 1620		Rich Bromsall
occ. 1638-45		Isaac Keeling M.A. [6]
5 Oct. 1645	bur. 2 Jan. 1672-3	John Stephenson M.A. [7]
c. Jan. 1672-3	bur. 29 May 1688	Geo Hargreaves

CHAPLAIN

occ. 1533		Thos Turner [8]

NEWCASTLE CHAPEL (ST GILES)

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 5 copes; 2 palls; 11 vestments; 9 albes; 7 tunicles; 5 altar cloths; 2 corporals with cases; 2 towels; 1 sanctus bell; 4 bells (5). 2 brass candlesticks had been sold by Rich Norton, the late ch. wd.

Ch. wds.: John Lymford & John Fenton.

Described in 1604 as a church annexed to Stoke with curateship of tithes in kind by the Parson's allowance, worth 20 marks.

CURATES

occ. 1533 w.p. 3 July 1543		Wm Dell [9]
occ. 1556		Hen Prescott [10]
occ. 1559		Robt Tyrwyn [11]
occ. 1593		John Vernan [12]
occ. 1602		Arthur Storer M.A. [13]
occ. 1604		Marsh [14]
occ. 1620	bur. 18 July 1646	Nicholas Richardson

occ. 1648		Zachariah Crofton [44]
occ. 1650-4		Joseph Sond M.A. [45]
26 Oct. 1655	occ. 1659	Ralph Hall [46]
occ. 1661	eject. 1662	Geo Longe M.A. [47]
occ. 1665-8		Thos Oulton B.A. [48]

SERVICE OF S. KATHERINE

Certified in 1546 that this had been founded by the mayor and brothers of Newcastle to find a priest to sing (mass) at the altar of S. Katherine within the parish church of S. Giles (*a*). Income 3*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.* (*a*); 3*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* [49]; possessions 5 oz. of white plate and other goods as per inventory (*a*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48 John Fenton [50]

SERVICE OF BLESSED MARY

Reported in the reigns of Mary and Elizabeth that this service held within the church of S. Giles had formerly owned a rent variously stated as 114*s.* 7*d.*, 117*s.* 7*d.*, 118*s.* 7*d.*, etc. [51]

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver paten with chalice. All the other ornaments that had belonged to this service had been sold for 3*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* [52]

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48 Ralph Vernon [53]

SERVICE OF HOLY TRINITY

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: None. Rich Forsett, surveyor, had taken away 1 chalice, weighing 7 oz., that had belonged to this service. [52] Not mentioned in the reigns of Mary or Elizabeth. [51]

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533 w.p. 30 Ap. 1539 Rich Kent [54]

S. MARY'S CHAPEL

Reported in the reigns of Mary and Elizabeth that the service of Blessed Mary within the chapel called S. Mary's Chapel in the town of Newcastle had been endowed with a rent of 1*l.* 7*s.* 7*d.* [55]

	occ. 1648	Zachariah Crofton **
	occ. 1650-1	Joseph Sond M.A. **
26 Oct. 1653	occ. 1659	Ralph Hall **
occ. 1661	elect. 1662	Geo Lange M.A. **
occ. 1665-8		Thos Oulton B.A. **

SERVICE OF S. KATHERINE

Certified in 1546 that this had been founded by the mayor and brothers of Newcastle to find a priest to sing (mass) at the altar of S. Katherine within the parish church of S. Giles (a). Income 3l. 8s. 6d. (a); 3l. 9s. 4d. **; possessions 5 oz. of white plate and other goods as per inventory (a).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48 John Fenton **

SERVICE OF BLESSED MARY

Reported in the reigns of Mary and Elizabeth that this service held within the church of S. Giles had formerly owned a rent variously stated as 11s. 7d., 11½s. 7d., 11s. 7d., etc. **

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver paten with chalice. All the other ornaments that had belonged to this service had been sold for 3l. 12s. 4d. **

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48 Ralph Vernon **

SERVICE OF HOLY TRINITY

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: None. Rich Forrett, surveyor, had taken away 1 chalice, weighing 7 oz. that had belonged to this service. ** Not mentioned in the reigns of Mary or Elizabeth. **

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533 w.p. 30 Ap. 1539 Rich Kent **

S. MARY'S CHAPEL

Reported in the reigns of Mary and Elizabeth that the service of Blessed Mary within the chapel called S. Mary's Chapel in the town of Newcastle had been endowed with a rent of 1l. 7s. 7d. **

INCUMBENT

occ. 1548		Ralph Telryke [56]

NORTON-IN-THE-MOORS CHAPEL [57]

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

In 1552 a chalice and the 3 bells were discovered in the hands of John Rowley and Thos Mawnford (*h, m*).

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 green cope; 1 vestment with albe, amice & stole; 1 coverlet; 1 towel; 2 surplices; 3 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** Thos Mounford & Wm Barlow.

Described in 1604 as a church annexed to Stoke.

CURATES

occ. 1533	w.pr. 5 Oct. 1542	Thos Meere [58]
	w.pr. 20 Sep. 1561	Rich Malkyn
occ. 1593		Rich Bradley [59]
occ. 1604		Roger Teymley [60]
occ. 1606-8		John Whelock [61]
occ. 1611		Wm Barrett [62]
occ. 1611		Thos Mountford [63]
occ. 1620-21		John Fletcher [64]
occ. 1621		Geo Nicholson [65]
occ. 1632		Wm Clowes [66]
occ. 1651-2		Thos Manwaring [67]
occ. 1660-6		Hum Repton [68]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Thos Adams left 12*d*. to this service in 1536. [69]

WHITMORE CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Described in 1604 as a church annexed to Stoke.

CURATES

occ. 1533-47		Thos Howell [70]
occ. 1593	w.pr. 17 June 1597	John Tunstall [71]
occ. 1595		John Beardmore [72]
occ. 1597		Thos Cowapp [73]
occ. 1599		Wm Machon [74]
occ. 1601-4		Thos Cowap [75]

INCUMBENT

occ. 1548		Ralph Telryke [22]

NORTON-IN-THE-MOORS CHAPEL.[a]

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

In 1552 a chalice and the 3 bells were discovered in the hands of John Rowley and Thos Mawmford (*ib.* *m*).

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 green cope; 1 vestment with alb, amice & stole; 1 coverlet; 1 towel; 2 surplices; 3 bells (*s*). Ch. wds.: Thos Mountford & Wm Barlow.

Described in 1604 as a church annexed to Stoke.

CURATES

occ. 1533	w.pr. 5 Oct. 1542	Thos Meere [23]
	w.pr. 20 Sep. 1561	Rich Malkyn
occ. 1593		Rich Bradley [24]
occ. 1604		Roger Teynley [25]
occ. 1600-8		John Wholeck [26]
occ. 1611		Wm Barrett [27]
occ. 1611		Thos Mountford [28]
occ. 1620-21		John Letcher [29]
occ. 1621		Geo Nicholson [30]
occ. 1632		Wm Clowes [31]
occ. 1651-2		Thos Manwaring [32]
occ. 1660-6		Hum Repton [33]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Thos Adams left 1264 to this service in 1539.[34]

WHITMORE CHAPEL.

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Described in 1604 as a church annexed to Stoke.

CURATES

occ. 1533-47		Thos Howell [35]
occ. 1593	w.pr. 17 June 1597	John Tunstall [36]
occ. 1595		John Beardmore [37]
occ. 1597		Thos Cowapp [38]
occ. 1599		Wm Machon [39]
occ. 1601-4		Thos Cowap [40]

occ. 1604	Ralph Eaton [76]
occ. Jan. 1605-6 bur. 16 June 1609	Wm Cleyton [77]
occ. Feb. 1609-10 ob. 20 Oct. 1640	John Ball M.A. [78]
occ. 1650-53	Edw Beardmore [79]
occ. 1661-2	John Cook [80]
occ. 1664	Geo Barnsley [81]
occ. 1672-76	John Shaw [81]
occ. 1677-79	Rich Clownam [81]
occ. 1680-87	Hen Tomkinson [81]

NOTES

[1] **Egerton.** Paid tax of 40*s.* as rector here in 1533. *See* **Enville.**

[2] **Whityngton.** Born at Lichfield c. 1480; B.A. 1513 Magd. Coll. Ox.; the last holder of the degree of Doctor of Grammar & Rhetoric; a noted teacher; wrote 5 grammatical treatises and published translations of Cicero and Seneca between 1512 and 1554 (*D. N. B.*, *Foster*, *Simms*).

[3] **Copenall.** Not instituted until 18 Sep. 1553. The subsidies due July 1554, 25 Mar. 1558 and 12 Jan. 1571-2 do not appear to have been paid (271-5; 19-506, 524).

[4] **Reynolds.** Scholaris oxoniensis, predicator publicus; ordained by Thos Bentham; M.A. (*Harwood*, p. 250); curate of Trentham (1569-73); preb. of Tachbrook 1588-97?.

[5] **Carbury.** Mentioned as paying the first fruits; probably never instituted.

[6] **Overton.** *See* **Swynnerton.**

[7] **Weston.** *See* **Clifton Campville.**

[8] **Primrose.** Born in 1586 in Cheshire, M.A. 1609 Brasenose Coll. Ox.; preb. of Wolvey 1626-33 (*Foster*, *Simms*, etc.).

[9] **Mainwaring.** M.A. 1629, D.D. 1654, Ch. Coll. Camb., fellow of Caius Coll. (*Venn*), son of Edward Mainwaring of Whitmore and Sarah his wife, *née* Stone; ordained both deacon and priest 19 Sep. 1630; married 1st Susanna Pigott, 2nd Anne Gregson (*Simms*); preb. of Weeford 1640-92; paid subsidy of 10*l.* Jan. 1661-2; had 13 hearths 1665, whereof 5 were stopped up to avoid the tax; instituted to this rectory 10 May 1633 (*Bps. Certifs.*); presented by Crown to same 17 May 1633 (*Keeper*, 48). There seems to have been a good deal of trouble about his institution, for on 20 Nov. 1633 the Crown presented John Bowyer to this rectory (*Keeper*, 48) and an action was subsequently brought against Mainwaring and Roger Brereton, the patron, in the Court of High Commissions for simony. On 11 Feb. 1635-6 the charge against Mainwaring was finally dismissed, but Brereton was held to have been very faulty in exposing the advowson to open sale and was fined 100*l.* and

occ. 1604	Ralph Eaton [1] [2]
occ. Jan. 1605-6 bur. 16 June 1609	Wm Clayton [2] [7]
occ. Feb. 1609-10 ob. 20 Oct. 1640	John Ball M.A. [7] [8]
occ. 1650-53	Edw Beardmore [7] [9]
occ. 1661-2	John Cook [8] [9]
occ. 1664	Geo Barnsley [8] [9]
occ. 1672-76	John Shaw [8] [9]
occ. 1677-79	Rich Clowman [8] [9]
occ. 1680-87	Hen Tomlinson [8] [9]

NOTES

[1] **Egerton.** Paid tax of 40s. as rector here in 1533. See Enville.

[2] **Whitington.** Born at Lichfield c. 1485; B.A. 1513-Magd. Coll. Ox.; the last holder of the degree of Doctor of Grammar & Rhetoric; a noted teacher; wrote 5 grammatical treatises and published translations of Cicero and Seneca between 1512 and 1554 (D. N. B. Foster; Simms).

[3] **Copenall.** Not instituted until 18 Sep. 1533. The subsidies due July 1534, 25 Mar. 1558 and 12 Jan. 1571-2 do not appear to have been paid (2712-5; 10-500, 524).

[4] **Reynolds.** Scholaris oxoniensis, predicator publicus; ordained by Thos Bentham; M.A. (Harwood, p. 250); curate of Trentham (1509-23); preb. of Tachbrook 1528-9?.

[5] **Carbury.** Mentioned as paying the first fruits; probably never instituted.

[6] **Overton.** See Swynnerton.

[7] **Weston.** See Gilton Campville.

[8] **Primrose.** Born in 1580 in Cheshire, M.A. 1609 Brasenose Coll. Ox.; preb. of Wolvey 1613-33 (Foster, Simms, etc.).

[9] **Malmwarring.** M.A. 1620, D.D. 1634, Ch. Coll. Camb., fellow of Caius Coll. (Venn), son of Edward Malmwarring of Whitmore and Sarah his wife, née Stone; ordained both deacon and priest 19 Sep. 1620; married 1st Susanna Pigott, 2nd Anne Gregson (Simms); preb. of Wetlord 1640-92; paid subsidy of 10l. Jan. 1661-2; bad 19 hearths 1665, wherefore 5 were stopped up to avoid the tax; instituted to this rectory 10 May 1633 (Bps. Certificates); presented by Crown to same 17 May 1633 (Keeper, 48). There seems to have been a good deal of trouble about his institution, for on 20 Nov. 1633 the Crown presented John Bowyer to this rectory (Keeper, 48) and an action was subsequently brought against Malmwarring and Roger Bruerton, the patron, in the Court of High Commissions for simony. On 11 Feb. 1635-6 the charge against Malmwarring was finally dismissed, but Bruerton was held to have been very faulty in exposing the advowson to open sale and was fined 100l. and

costs 80*l.*, and also had to make a canonical purgation by the oaths of 6 compurgators, gentlemen of his own rank and dwelling within 6 miles of Stoke, to purge himself from any simonical bargains with Mainwaring. Alex Howe, the puritan rector of Draycott, was one of his compurgators. (*S. P. Dom. Chas I*; *for the several references see index to printed calendars.*)

[10] **Repton.** *See* **Alton.**

[11] **Campste,** Campston. Paid tax of 6*s.* 2½*d.* as curate in 1533; mentioned as owing money to Thos Adams in 1536 (*S. H. C.*, 1910, p. 246).

[12] **Cartwright.** Subscribed in 1559, perhaps then curate here; as curate paid subsidies of 6*s.* 8*d.* 24 May 1568, 1569, 1571, 1572 (19-516, 519, 522, 523); vicar of Leek 1 Sep. 1568-9?; vicar of Wolstanton from Feb. 1573-4.

[13] **Trimley**. Paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1578 (19-528).

[14] **Wilkinson.** Paid same 1586 (19-533).

[15] **Bolton.** Paid same 1586 (19-540); scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris eruditus, ordained by Wm Overton 1583; probably curate at Blithfield c. 1595-9, of Gnosall c. 1610-13.

[16] **Lightfoot.** *See* **Uttoxeter.** Here he had an income of 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* in small tithes (1602 *return*), or 10*l.* (1604 *return*).

[17] **Bromfield.** Occurs in register.

[18] **Beardmore.** Perhaps M.A. 1630 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[19] **Lowndes.** *See* **Madeley.**

[20] **Bagnold.** *See* **Brewood.**

[21] **Corbett.** *See* **Caverswall.**

[22] **Lightfoot** (Josias). *See* **Ashley.**

[23] *S. H. C.*, 1910, p. 246.

[24] *Accounts*, 6829, 6833, 6839, etc.

[25] **Brodwall.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533, probably as chantry priest; described as priest here in his will.

[26] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[27] **Goodwin.** No preacher, lay reader, who goeth to a grammar school on work days (1604 *return*); probably curate at Maer 1606-7.

[28] **Tomson.** A (lay) reader.

[29] **Shaw.** No preacher, lay reader, stipend 3*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* p.a. (1604 *return*).

[30] **Orme.** There are two possible Cambridge graduates of this name (*Venn*).

[31] **Heath.** Paid tax as curate of Burslem of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533. Occurs as executor of Thos Colclough, will pr. 1532, and probably as witness to Margaret Addam's will in 1540 (*S. H. C.*, 1910, p. 247; cf. 246).

[32] **Astbury.** Resided in the priest's chamber at the Churchyard house (*Introd. to printed parish register*).

costs 80*l.*, and also had to make a canonical purgation by the oaths of 6 compurgators, gentlemen of his own rank and dwelling within 6 miles of Stoke, to purge himself from any simoniacal bargains with Mainwaring. Alex Howe, the puritan rector of Ingestrey, was one of his compurgators. (S. P. Dom. Chas I; for the several references see index to printed calendars.)

[10] **Repton.** See **Alton.**

[11] **Campsite, Campston.** Paid tax of 6*s.* 4½*d.* as curate in 1523; mentioned as owing money to Thos Adams in 1530 (S. R. C., 1910, p. 240).

[12] **Carlwright.** Subscribed in 1559, perhaps then curate here; as curate paid subsidies of 6*s.* 8*d.* 24 May 1568, 1569, 1571, 1572 (19-5*r*6, 5*r*9, 522, 523); vicar of Leek 1 Sep. 1598-9; vicar of Wolstanton from Feb. 1573-4.

[13] **Trimley.** Paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1578 (19-528).

[14] **Wilkinson.** Paid same 1586 (19-533).

[15] **Bolton.** Paid same 1586 (19-540), scholaris *rudis*, in *artis litteris eruditus*, ordained by Wm Overton 1583; probably curate at Blithfield c. 1595-9, of Cannock c. 1610-13.

[16] **Lightfoot.** See **Uttoxeter.** Here he had an income of 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* in small tithes (1602 return), or 10*l.* (1604 return).

[17] **Bromfield.** Occurs in register.

[18] **Beardmore.** Perhaps M.A. 1630 Trin. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[19] **Lowndes.** See **Madeley.**

[20] **Bagnold.** See **Brewood.**

[21] **Corbett.** See **Caverswall.**

[22] **Lightfoot** (Joshua). See **Ashley.**

[23] S. R. C., 1910, p. 240.

[24] Accounts, 6820, 6823, 6830, etc.

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[26] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[27] **Goodwin.** No preacher, lay reader, who went to a grammar school on work days (1604 return); probably curate at Mow 1609-?.

[28] **Tomson.** A (lay) reader.

[29] **Shaw.** No preacher, lay reader, stipend 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* (1604 return).

[30] **Orme.** There are two possible Cambridge graduates of this name (Venn).

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[32] **Astbury.** Resided in the priest's chamber at the Churchyard house (1604, to printed parish register).

[33] **Nock.** Perhaps matriculated 1563-4 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[34] **Wood.** No preacher, no degree, salary 6*l.* (1602-4 *returns*). *See* **Cheddleton.**

[35] **Keeling.** *See* **Wolstanton.**

[36] **Stephenson.** M.A. 1627 Ch. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*); ordained priest 21 Dec. 1628; between 1 Oct. 1653 and May 1661 only entered the births of children in register, not their baptisms.

[37] **Turner.** Paid tax of 4*s.* 5¼*d.* in 1533 as an assistant priest here.

[38] **Delf.** Paid tax of 6*s.* 2½*d.* in 1533 as curate here.

[39] **Prescott.** Occurs as witness to the will of Thos Bradshawe, proved in 1557. A priest of this name took his B.A. from Gloucester Hall, Ox., became rector of King's Stanley, Glouc., in 1560 and was admonished at Oxford in 1568 (*Foster*).

[40] **Tyrvyn.** Paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1558 (19-506).

[41] **Vernan.** Scholaris ruralis, omnino indoctus, ordained by John, bp of Thetford.

[42] **Storer.** M.A. 1593 Ch. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), a preacher, stipend 16*l.* from tithes (1602 *return*).

[43] **Marsh.** Preacher, stipend 20 marks from tithes (1604 *return*).

[44] **Crofton.** Educated at Dublin; signed testimony 1648 as minister here; vicar of Dilhorne (q.v.) Feb. 1648-9; ejected from vicarage of Wrenbury, Ches., in 1651 for refusing to take the engagement; preacher at James Garlick Hill, London, 1653; certified by Joseph Sond, minister, and Rich Orme, schoolmaster, of Newcastle, to be well known for his integrity to the parliament (*King's Pamph.* 738, No. 5); vicar of S. Botolph's, Aldgate, 1657; ejected thence 1662; subsequently imprisoned in the Tower for maintaining that the Solemn League and Covenant was still binding on the English nation; wrote numerous controversial tracts; died 1672 (*D. N. B.*). On 7 Oct. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted 14*l.* p.a. out of the prebend of Weeford and 50*l.* p.a. out of the surplus profits of the impropriate rectory of Audley, sequestered from Ralph Egerton, delinquent, to augment the salary of the minister here. Order confirmed by said committee 30 Sep. 1648. (*Bod. MS.* 325, p. 277; cf. *Sion MS.*, p. 499.)

[45] **Sond,** Soond, Swoond, Sound. Probably B.A. 1622-3 Peterhouse Coll. Camb. (*Venn*); occurs at Swynnerton (q.v.) 1647; signed testimony 1648, apparently had no cure that year; rector of Swynnerton (q.v.) from April 1654. The trustees granted him the aforementioned augmentations of 50*l.* and 14*l.* as his living was but 14*l.* p.a. These augmentations were confirmed by the committee for the reformation of the universities and paid to him from 6 Jan. 1649-50 till 1654 (*Lamb. MSS.* 973, p. 675; 978, p. 626; 979, p. 356; *Sion MS.*, p. 499).

[22] Nock. Perhaps matriculated 1563-4 Jesus Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[23] Wand. No preacher, no degree, salary 6l. (1604-5 returns). See Cheadleton.

[24] Keeling. See Wolstanton.

[25] Stephenson, M.A. 1627 Ch. Coll. Camb. (Venn); ordained priest 21 Dec. 1628; between 1 Oct. 1633 and May 1641 only entered the births of children in register, not their baptisms.

[27] Turner. Paid tax of 4s. 8d. in 1332 as an assistant priest here.

[28] Dell. Paid tax of 6s. 8d. in 1333 as curate here.

[29] Prescott. Occurs as witness to the will of Thos. Bradshawe, proved in 1557. A priest of this name took his B.A. from Gloucester Hall, Ox., became rector of King's Stanley, Glouc., in 1560 and was admonished at Oxford in 1568 (Foster).

[30] Tyrryn. Paid subsidy of 6s. 8d. in 1558 (10-50b).

[31] Erman. Scholaris rusticus, omnino indoctus, ordained by John, bp. of Thetford.

[32] Slorer. M.A. 1593 Ch. Coll. Camb. (Venn), a preacher, stipend 16l. from tithes (1603 return).

[33] Marsh. Preacher, stipend 20 marks from tithes (1604 return).

[34] Cotton. Educated at Dublin; signed testimony 1648 as minister here; vicar of Dilhorne (q.v.) Feb. 1648-9; ejected from vicarage of Wrenbury, Ches., in 1651 for refusing to take the engagement; preacher at James Garlick Hill, London, 1653; certified by Joseph Sond, minister, and Rich. Orme, schoolmaster, of Newcastle, to be well known for his integrity to the parliament (King's Pamphs. 73g, No. 5); vicar of S. Botolph's, Aldgate, 1657; ejected thence 1662; subsequently imprisoned in the Tower for maintaining that the Solemn League and Covenant was still binding on the English nation; wrote numerous controversial tracts; died 1672 (D. N. B.). On 7 Oct. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted £4 p.a. out of the prebend of Wetelord and £04 p.a. out of the surplus profits of the impropriate rectory of Audley, sequestered from Ralph Egerton, delinquent, to augment the salary of the minister here. Order confirmed by said committee 30 Sep. 1648 (Misc. MS. 325, p. 277; cf. Sign MS., p. 499).

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[46] **Hall.** Received a certificate of approbation from the commissioners 26 Oct. 1655 and was regularly paid an augmentation of 50*l.* by the trustees from about this date until he became minister at Maer c. 1660 (*Shaw*, II, p. 594; *Lamb. MSS.* 968, p. 62; 977, p. 66; 981, p. 21; 993, p. 101; 994, p. 142). No mention is made of the 14*l.* augmentation.

[47] **Longe.** Fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1653 (*Venn*), paid subsidy of 10*s.* in Jan. 1661-2, after ejectment took his M.D. at Leyden, died at Bristol 1712, aged 84 (*Calamy*).

[48] **Oulton.** B.A. 1661-2 Clare Coll. Camb., ordained priest 26 July 1663.

[49] *Accounts*, 6829, 6833, 6839, etc.; *S. H. C.*, x, n.s., pt. ii, pp. 14, 126.

[50] **Fenton.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533; received pension of 71*s.* 4*d.* from 10 Sep. 1548 till about 1561 (*D. of Lanc. Mis. Bk.* 135, p. 112; *Accounts*, 6829-33).

[51] *Accounts*, 6828, 6802, 6833, etc.

[52] *Inventory of* 1553.

[53] **Vernon.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533; received a pension 10 Sep. 1548, the payment of which had ceased before 1556 (*D. of Lanc. Mis. Bk.* 135, p. 104; *Accounts*, 6829). It is doubtful whether Vernon was incumbent of the Service of B. Mary or Holy Trinity.

[54] **Kent.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533. It is doubtful whether Kent was incumbent of the Service of Holy Trinity or of B. Mary.

[55] *Accounts*, 6798, 6802, 6829, 6833, 6839, etc.

[56] **Telryke.** Received a pension of 27*s.* 7*d.* from 10 Sep. 1548 till 1566 or later (*D. of Lanc. Mis. Bk.* 135, p. 112; *Accounts*, 6829-39). Probably buried as Terricke at Trentham on 23 July 1571.

[57] **Norton-in-the-moors.** *See The Gentleman's Magazine*, 1818, pt. ii, pp. 307-10, for a short account of this chapelry. Cf. *S. H. C.*, IX, n.s., p. 190.

[58] **Meere,** Mere. Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

[59] **Bradley.** Scholaris ruralis, aliqualiter doctus, ordained by Thos Bentham, did not exhibit a certificate of his life (i.e. his conduct) in 1593.

[60] **Teymley.** No preacher, a common maker of unlawful marriages and tainted with other vile sins as all the country know, salary 6*l.* (1604 *return*).

[61] **Whelock.** *See* **Bradeley.**

[62] **Barrett.** Perhaps B.A. 1607-8 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[63] **Mountford.** Mentioned by Hutchinson.

[64] **Fletcher.** Six men of this name matriculated at Cambridge between 1593 and 1614 (*Venn*).

[65] **Nicholson.** Perhaps B.A. 1609 Cath. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[45] **Hall.** Received a certificate of approbation from the commissioners 26 Oct. 1653 and was regularly paid an augmentation of 50l. by the trustees from about this date until he became minister at Maer c. 1660 (Shaw, ii, p. 504; *Lancs. M.S.S.* 668, p. 62; 977, p. 66; 981, p. 21; 993, p. 101; 994, p. 112). No mention is made of the 1/4l augmentation.

[46] **Longe.** Fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1653 (*Venn*), paid subsidy of 10s. in Jan. 1661-2, after ejectment took his M.D. at Leyden, died at Bristol 1712, aged 84 (*Calamy*).

[47] **Oulton.** B.A. 1661-2 Clare Coll. Camb., ordained priest 26 July 1663.

[48] *Accounts*, 6822, 6823, 6839, etc.; *S. R. C.*, x, app., pt. ii, pp. 14, 126.

[49] **Fenton.** Paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1673; received pension of 21s. 4d. from 10 Sep. 1648 till about 1681 (*D. of Lanc. Mis. Bk.* 133, p. 112; *Accounts*, 6829-33).

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[62] **Mountford.** Mentioned by Hutchinson.

[63] **Fletcher.** Six men of this name matriculated at Cambridge between 1593 and 1611 (*Venn*).

[64] **Nicholson.** Perhaps B.A. 1609 Cath. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[66] **Clowes.** Mentioned by Hutchinson, quite possibly a university man (*Foster, Venn*).

[67] **Manwaring.** Probably matriculated 1645 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[68] **Repton.** Paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* as curate here in Jan. 1661-2. *See* **Weston-on-Trent.**

[69] *S. H. C.*, 1910, p. 246. This service is not mentioned in any certificate or return seen by the compiler.

[70] **Howell,** Howle. Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533, bequeathed 16*d.* by Rich Swynnerton of Whitmore in 1547, who also left 12*d.* to the church here. (*S. H. C.*, VII, pt. ii, p. 152.)

[71] **Tunstall.** Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris bene exercitatus, ordained by Wm Overton.

[72] **Beardmore** (John). Signs register as "clerk" in 1595. *See* **Blithfield.**

[73] **Cowapp,** Cope. No preacher, no degree, salary 6*l.* (1602 *return*), a boy without orders (1604 *return*), signs register as clerk 1597-1601, as reader 1602-4. *See* **Chapel Chorlton.**

[74] **Machon.** Signs register as clerk in 1599.

[75] **Cowap.** *See note* 73.

[76] **Eaton.** Signs register as clerk in 1604. *See* **Betley.**

[77] **Cleyton.** Possibly M.A. 1601 Ch. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[78] **Ball.** B.A. 1604 Brasenose Coll. Ox., M.A. S. Mary's Hall, Ox., probably son of Wm Ball of Cassington, Ox. (*Foster*), obtained ordination 1610 without subscription, more than once imprisoned for nonconformity under Laud's regime, wrote many religious treatises (*D. N. B.*, *Simms*).

[79] **Beardmore** (Edw). Possibly matriculated 1650 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), probably ordained at Lichfield both deacon and priest 21 Feb. 1663-4, curate of Keele 1670, married at Whitmore 19 Nov. 1650 Grace Fenton.

[80] **Cook.** Possibly B.A. 1657-8 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), paid subsidy of 15*s.* in Jan. 1661-2. There are several possible graduates of this name (*Foster, Venn*). *See* **Eccleshall.**

[81] **Barnsley, Shaw, Clownam, Tomkinson.** All sign register as curates.

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[80] **Cook.** Possibly B.A. 1657-8 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), paid subsidy of 12s. in Jan. 1661-2. There are several possible graduates of this name (*Foster*, *Venn*). See **Eccleshall.**

[81] **Barnsley, Shaw, Clewsham, Tomkinson.** All sign register as curates.

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Both before and after the dissolution of the priory in April 1537 there were usually two curates here. There is an interesting petition of the parishioners here to the Lord Protector,

temp. Edw VI, in which they state that their own proper parish church in which all manner of sacraments have time out of mind been ministered to themselves and their ancestors was formerly " united annexed and joyned " to the Abbey church and that there was also a chapel standing thereby, wherein the town of Stone only for their own ease and commodity had their quotidian or daily service, except for the ministering of the Sacraments and Rites on certain principal feasts in the year. And they complain that one Wm Crompton hath lately attempted to pluck down the said church and hath uncovered a part thereof and conveyed away the lead to his own private use, although the King's commissioners had suffered the same to remain after the dissolution of the Priory Wherefor they pray that he may be called to London to answer, etc. [2]

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 2 silver chalices with patens; 11 vestments, 9 old ones, 2 of yellow Bruges satin with amices & fans; 3 copes, 1 of yellow Bruges satin, 1 of white tewke, 1 old one; 2 albes; 1 amice; 1 stole; 2 surplices; 2 altar cloths; 2 maslyn crosses; 1 brazen censer; 4 brazen candlesticks; 1 brass bucket; 1 little bell; 3 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** Wm Plant, John Wildebloude, Thos Asebery, Rich Halle, Thos Reade, Wm Slanye, Geo Coke, & Thos Beardemore.

In 1604 a great parish and market town.

RECTOR

occ. 1535	ob. 1538	Rich Egerton [3]

Curates

The two curates here may have held equal or joint rank until the end of the reign of Elizabeth and perhaps later. Both paid a tax of 5*s*. 4*d*. in 1533.

occ. 1525-33		Ralph Machyn
occ. 1538-64		Rich Crewe [4]
occ. 1568		Rich Smith [5]
occ. 1569-73		Rich Cook [6]
occ. 1593		Ambrose Cook [7]
occ. 1597	bur. 10 Ap. 1640	Barnabas Willatt [8]
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occ. 1597	bur. 10 Ap. 1640	Barnabas Willett[2]
occ. 1642	res. 1646	Deliverance Fenny-house M.A.[2]

occ. 1651-2	bur. 2 Mar. 1654-5	Wm Leigh [10]
occ. 1663-6		John Hancox
	res. c. 1676	Wm Ausop [11]
occ. 1680		Joseph Bradely [12]

ASSISTANT CURATES

occ. 1533		Hen Elkyn [13]
occ. 1548-53		Rich Clyffe [14]
occ. 1558		Thos Slanye [15]
occ. 1559	bur. 31 May 1578	Rich Clyffe [14]
occ. 1593		Wm Smith [16]
occ. 1620		Roger Winterburne [17]
(occ. 1627-9		John Lightfoot)? [18]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Discovered in 1553 to have been endowed with 1 croft of ground in Meaford let to Wm Cliffe for 7*s*. 4*d*. and lands in Stone let to Rose Lewes, wid., for 6*s*. One Clewley? received the rents in 1553, but formerly the churchwardens had received them (*n*). The returns of 1552 state that these rents amounted to 12*s*. (*h*, *l*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533		John Leghton [19]
	(w.p. 10 Nov. 1545	Wm Pyckstoke?) [20]

OBIT

In 1524 John Deykin left 3*l*. 6*s*. 0*d*. to the Lady Priest for an obit. [21]

LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that certain lands at Aston let to Thos Webbe and John Johnson for 7*d*. had been left to maintain lights in this church (*e*).

BURSTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563.

Ch. Orn., 10 May 1553: 1 vestment, with albe, amice, stole & fan; 1 bell; 1 bell (*s*). **Chap. wd.:** John Moreton. A return of 1552 states that these 2 bells were in the custody of Thos Webbe and that the other ornaments had been sold by Mr Forsett (*h*).

In 1553 this chapel was void (*n*).

occ. 1631-2	bur. 2 Mar. 1634-5	Wm Leigh[12]
occ. 1663-6		John Hancox
	res. c. 1670	Wm Atsop[12]
occ. 1680		Joseph Bradely[12]

ASSISTANT CURATES

occ. 1533		Hen Elkyn[13]
occ. 1548-53		Rich Clyffe[12]
occ. 1558		Thos Shawe[12]
occ. 1559	bur. 31 May 1578	Rich Clyffe[12]
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In 1553 this chapel was void (n).

FULFORD CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments with albes, amices, stoles & fans; 1 bell (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** Roger Wright & Thos Launder.

Discovered in 1553 to be endowed with 1 butt of land in Fulford, let at a rent of 2*d.*, for the use of the priest here (*n*).

CURATES

occ. 1533		Thos Bre . . h [22]
(occ. 1553	bur. 8 June 1587	Oliver Magson)? [23]
occ. 1593		a curate [24]
occ. 1602		Hugh Mear [25]
occ. 1651-2		Wm Dickin [26]
occ. 1656		Thos Rushton [27]
occ. 1666		Chas Norwood [28]

TITTENSOR? CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563.

Discovered in 1553 to have 2 bells (*m*).

NOTES

[1] *Return of* 1533, *Hibbert*, p. 195; *Papal Letters*, 28 Oct. 1259.

[2] *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 519, p. 84.

[3] **Egerton.** *See* **Enville.**

[4] **Crewe,** Crue. Occurs in the wills of John Lander pr. 1538, Margaret Lander 1549, and from 1559 to 1564 as receiving a salary from the Exchequer of 106*s.* 8*d.* (*Ministers' Accounts, Exch. Eliz.* 2015-20), which apparently dated from the dissolution of Stone Priory (*Hibbert*, p. 195).

[5] **Smith.** Paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* as curate in 1568 (19-516).

[6] **Cook** (Rich). Paid same in 1569, 1572 and 1573 (19-519, 522, 523). *See* **Blithfield.**

[7] **Cook** (Ambrose). Scholaris ruralis, predicator publicus, ordained priest by Wm Overton 14 Oct. 1589.

[8] **Willatt.** No preacher, no degree, salary 10*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (1602 *return*), 11*l.* (1604 *return*); occurs in 1597 in the Burslem printed register, p. 11.

[9] **Fennyhouse.** *See* **Leigh.**

[10] **Leigh.** Four men of this name matriculated at Cambridge between 1616 and 1637, two of whom graduated (*Venn*).

[11] **Ausop.** Mentioned by Gregory King.

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occ. 1553		Thos Bre . . h[x]
(occ. 1553	bur. 8 June 1587)	Oliver Magson)[y]
occ. 1593		a curate[z]
occ. 1602		Hugh Mear[a]
occ. 1631-2		Wm Dickin[b]
occ. 1656		Thos Rushton[c]
occ. 1666		Chas Norwood[d]

TITTENSOR CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563.

Discovered in 1553 to have 2 bells (m).

NOTES

[1] Rectors of 1553: Hibbert, p. 105; Papal Letters, 28 Oct. 1459.

[2] Aug. Mis. 88, 519, p. 84.

[3] Egerton. See Enville.

[4] Crewe, Cruc. Occurs in the wills of John Launder (r. 1538), Margaret Launder 1549, and from 1559 to 1564 as receiving a salary from the Exchequer of 10s. 8d. (Ministers' Accounts, Eccl. Edw. 2015-20), which apparently dated from the dissolution of Stone Priory (Hibbert, p. 105).

[5] Smith. Paid subsidy of 6s. 8d. as curate in 1568 (19-516).

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[10] Leigh. Four men of this name matriculated at Cambridge between 1616 and 1637, two of whom graduated (Venn).

[11] Ausop. Mentioned by Gregory King.

[12] **Bradely,** *idem*; a literate of this name was ordained by Hackett, priest 21 Dec. 1662.

[13] **Elkyn.** *See* **Madeley.**

[14] **Clyffe.** Mentioned in the wills of Geo Leycroft, pr. 1548, and Rich Morrey, pr. 1553. During the reign of Mary he was vicar of Sandon (q.v.), but returned here in 1559 and regularly received the salary of 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* from that year (*Ministers' Accounts, Eliz.* 2015 *et seq.*).

[15] **Slanye.** Paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* as curate in 1558 (19-506).

[16] **Smith** (Wm). Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris bene instructus; ordained by Thos Bentham.

[17] **Winterburne.** A reader (1620 *return*).

[18] **Lightfoot.** Mentioned by Hutchinson, who calls him vicar. He may have been an assistant curate here, but it is most improbable that he was the chief curate, as Willatt signs the Stone register regularly and Lightfoot never occurs in it.

[19] **Leghton.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

[20] **Pyckstoke.** Described in his will as a priest of Stone.

[21] Will of John Deykin of Stone, pr. 1524.

[22] **Bre..h.** One or two letters illegible, paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

[23] **Magson.** Described in the burial register as "clericus"; witnessed wills at Darlaston in 1553, at Fulford in 1556 and at Meaford in 1558, so perhaps was the curate here.

[24] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[25] **Mear.** No degree, no preacher (1602 *return*). *See* **Draycott-in-the-moors.** No curate is named in the 1604 return, which states that the curate was commonly a boy, no preacher, with a pension of 4*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* p.a.

[26] **Dickin.** *See* **Maer.**

[27] **Rushton.** Married to Mary Piot at Stafford in 1656.

[28] **Norwood.** As minister certified the hearths at Fulford and Hilderstone in 1666. One of this name matric. 1618 Magd. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

STOWE BY CHARTLEY

In 1563 a church, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D., formerly approp. to the Priory of S. Thomas by Stafford.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 6 vestments; 3 albes; 2 amices; 2 stoles; 2 surplices; 1 rochet; 3 altar cloths; 2 copes; 3 crosses, 1 of copper, 2 of brass; 1 brass censer; 2 brass candlesticks; 1 brass bucket; 3 great bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 1 lamp. **Ch. wds.:** John Slygh & Rich Smyth.

[1] **Bradely, Iden**; a litterate of this name was ordained by Hackett, priest 21 Dec. 1662.

[1] **Elkyn.** See **Madeley.**

[1] **Clyfte.** Mentioned in the wills of Geo Legynott, pr. 1548, and Rich Morrey, pr. 1553. During the reign of Mary he was vicar of Sandon (*q.v.*), but returned here in 1559 and regularly received the salary of 5*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.* from that year (Ministers' Accounts, Rec. 201 et seq.).

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[1] **Winterburne.** A reader (1620 return).

[1] **Lightfoot.** Mentioned by Hutchinson, who calls him vicar. He may have been an assistant curate here, but it is most improbable that he was the chief curate, as Willatt signs the Stone register regularly and Lightfoot never occurs in it.

[1] **Leighton.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1553.

[1] **Pyckstoke.** Described in his will as a priest of Stone.

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[1] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1592.

[1] **Mear.** No degree, no preacher (1602 return). See **Drayvott-in-the-moors.** No curate is named in the 1604 return, which states that the curate was commonly a boy, no preacher, with a pension of 4*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* p.a.

[1] **Dielin.** See **Mater.**

[1] **Rusiton.** Married to Mary Piot at Stafford in 1656.

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CURATES

occ. 1533		John Warde [1]
occ. 1547	w.p. 6 May 1549	Wm Cliffe [2]
(occ. 1562		John Hyeley)? [3]
occ. 1593	bur. 27 Feb. 1620-1	Rich Boulton [4]
occ. 1622-24		Gilbert Gallimore [5]
occ. 1625		Isaac Martyn [6]
occ. 1626-27		Hen Tealer
occ. 1628-31		Wm Sherborne [7]
occ. 1632	bur. 9 Oct. 1654	Thos Pyott B.A.? [8]
occ. 1655		Rich Horne B.A.? [9]
28 Feb. 1658-9	eject. 1662	Rich Astley [10]
occ. 1666		Robt Darwin [11]
occ. 1670-71		John Spendelowe [12]

CHAPLAIN?

occ. 1533	John Gretton [13]

LIGHTS

Certified in 1548 and 1549 that the church meadow and other land in Stowe let to Thos Coke, Rauf Lyon and Walter Coke for 3*s.* 6*d.* p.a. had been given by donors then unknown to maintain a light in this church and for other common charges (*b, e, r*).

NOTES

[1] **Warde.** As curate here paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533, and as rector of Gratwich (q.v.) a tax of 1*s.* 4*d.*

[2] **Cliffe.** Described as chaplain in the will of Philip Greyne of Gayton, pr. 1547, and as clerk here in his own will.

[3] **Hyeley.** As clerk witnesses the will of Eliz. Coke of Stowe, pr. 1565.

[4] **Boulton,** Bolton. Scholaris ruralis, mediocriter doctus. No preacher, no degree, a great gamester, salary 8*l.* (1602-4 *returns*), ordained by Wm, bp of Chester; w.p. 20 June 1621 (*P. C. C.* 54, *Dale*).

[5] **Gallimore.** *See* **Colwich.**

[6] **Martyn,** Marten. Possibly matriculated 1619 Broadgate Hall, Ox., born at Stafford, rector of Great Bolas, Salop, from 1628 (*Foster*). Probably as " minister of God's Word " buried 17 Feb. 1656-7 at Forton.

[7] **Sherborne.** *See* **Clent.**

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occ. 1626-27		Hen Tewler
occ. 1628-31		Wm Sherborne[7]
occ. 1632	bur. 9 Oct. 1651	Thos Tyrrit B.A.?[8]
occ. 1655-		Rich Horne B.A.?[9]
28 Feb. 1658-9	elect 1662	Rich Astley[10]
occ. 1666		Robt Dutton[11]
occ. 1670-71		John Speadelows[12]

CHANTARIST[13]

occ. 1533	John Cretton[14]

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[7] Sherborne. See Clent.

[8] **Pyott.** Probably B.A. 1622-3 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Married at Stafford 1638 Mary Cliffe. On 11 Nov. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers ordered that a rent of 30*l.*, payable out of this impropriate rectory to Mrs Fowler, papist, should be paid to Pyott to augment his stipend of 15*l.* This order was confirmed in 1647 and in the following year a further? sum of 3*l.* 19*s.* 0*d.* was granted to him from the impropriate glebe land of this rectory (*Bod. MSS.* 323, p. 360; 325, pp. 216, 279; 327, p. 483; *Compounding*, p. 1894). On 25 Sep. 1650 the aforesaid committee increased his augmentation from 30*l.* to 40*l.* out of this rectory, but make no reference to the grant of 3*l.* 19*s.* 0*d.* (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. ii, p. 300). Walker states that he was sequestered in the time of the Grand Rebellion, but this cannot be correct in view of the augmentations he received, and of the fact that he is stated to be minister here in the winter of 1651-2 (*return of that date*) and was buried here as minister.

[9] **Horne.** Probably B.A. 1652-3 Sidney Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Signs register as minister in 1655.

[10] **Astley.** Admitted on the presentation of Rich lord protector (*Lamb. MS.* 999, p. 180). There are two possible M.A.'s of this name, one in 1619 from S. Mary Hall, Ox. (*Foster*), one in 1619 from Queens' Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Baptisms are registered throughout the Interregnum.

[11] **Darwin.** *See* **Weston-on-Trent.**

[12] **Spendelowe.** Perhaps B.A. 1667 S. John's Coll. Ox., son of Roger Spendlove of Wem, Salop (*Foster*).

[13] **Gretton.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533 as curate or chaplain here.

SWYNNERTON

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 5 vestments with albes, 3 of black satin, 1 of blue satin, 1 of white cloth; 1 satin cope; 1 yellow sarsenet tunacle; 3 corporals with 1 case; 5 altar cloths; 5 towels; 2 surplices; 1 gilt copper cross; 1 brass censer with ship; 1 brass pax; 2 cruets; 2 " peaces " of a candlestick that bears the tapers on the altar; 1 basin; 1 maslyn ewer; 1 brass holywater laver; 4 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 2 hand bells; 2 sacring bells. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Hakyn & Wm Snopstones or Snawpstons.

An account of the early rectors and patrons of this church is given in *S. H. C.*, VII, pt. ii, p. 61 *et seq.*

Patrons: 1570-1640 the Gattacres.

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[9] Horne. Probably B.A. 1632-3 Sidney Coll. Camb. (Venn). Signs register as minister in 1653.

[10] Astley. Admitted on the presentation of Rich, lord protector (Lansd. MS. 990, p. 180). There are two possible M.A.'s of this name, one in 1619 from S. Mary Hall, Ox. (Foster), one in 1619 from Queens' Coll. Camb. (Venn). Baptisms are registered throughout the interregnum.

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An account of the early rectors and patrons of this church is given in S. H. C., VII, pt. ii, p. 61 sq.

Patrons: 1270-1610 the Gattacres.

RECTORS

occ. 1513	w.p. 31 May 1555	John Nowell [1]
12 June 1555	w.p. 2 Jan. 1556-7	Wm Cureton [2]
10 Mar. 1555-6	ob. 1570	Wm Ridware [3]
11 Oct. 1570	depr. 1573	Rich Gattacre [4]
2 Nov. 1573	(ob. 1592)?	Thos Chapman M.A. [5]
	in 1593	no rector [6]
	in Feb. 1603-4	Wm Overton D.D. [7]
3 Oct. 1604	ob. 1642	Stockett Lutwich [8]
3 Sep. 1645	occ. 1651-2	Thos Pickin M.A. [9]
24 Ap. 1654	depr. 1662	Joseph Sond M.A. [10]
26 Aug. 1662	ob. June 1703	Thos Broad M.A. [11]

CURATES

occ. 1521-1555	Thos Morrey [12]
occ. 1571	John Taverner [13]
occ. 1599-1604	John Beardmore [14]

OUR LADY'S CHAPEL

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NOTES

[1] **Nowell.** Described as magister in 1533, when he paid a tax of 20*s.*

[2] **Cureton.** *See* **Eccleshall.**

[3] **Ridware.** Probably paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533 as curate of Bradeley. Subscribed 1559.

[4] **Gattacre,** Gattiger. No doubt a member of this " papist " family who held this advowson throughout the reign of Elizabeth.

[5] **Chapman.** Probably fellow of Clare Coll. Camb., M.A. 1555, preb. of Tervin 1571-92.

[6] No rector (1593 *return*).

[7] **Overton.** Fellow of Magd. Hall, Ox., in 1551 ; became incorporated at Camb. in 1562 ; D.D. 1566 ; held many livings outside this county ; became canon of Winchester in 1559, of Chichester in 1563, of Sarum in 1570, and held the bishopric of Cov. & Lich. from 1580 till his death in Ap. 1609. Five months before his election to this bishopric he wrote to Mrs Beacon and promised that if he should be elected to a bishopric through the influence of her husband (Dr John

RECTORS

occ. 1513	w.p. 31 May 1555	John Newell [1]
12 June 1555	w.p. 2 Jan. 1556-7	Wm Curetou [2]
10 Mar. 1555-6	ob. 1570	Wm Ridlwayre [3]
11 Oct. 1570	depr. 1573	Rich Gattacre [4]
2 Nov. 1573	(ob. 1592) [5]	Thos Chapman M.A. [6]
	in 1593	no rector [7]
	in Feb. 1603-4	Wm Overton D.D. [7]
3 Oct. 1604	ob. 1642	Sucleph Lutwich [8]
3 Sep. 1645	occ. 1651-2	Thos Pickin M.A. [9]
24 Ap. 1654	depr. 1662	Joseph Sond M.A. [10]
26 Aug. 1662	ob. June 1703	Thos Broad M.A. [11]

CURATES

occ. 1521-1555	Thos Morey [12]
occ. 1571	John Taverner [13]
occ. 1599-1604	John Hearthmore [14]

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Beacon, chancellor to the bp of Norwich) he hoped they would come and live with him and all he had would be theirs (*S. P. Dom. Eliz.* CXXXVII, 31). In 1583 Beacon complained of Overton's ill-usage of him and his wife, "who toke such an inward griefe that she never joyed untill she was delyvered of a man chyld before her tyme" (*idem*, CLVIII, Nos. 38-42). This rectory he held *in commendam*, as it was in farm to Mr Gattacre, a papist (1604 *return*). In Staffordshire he also held the rectory of Stoke-on-Trent 1602-04, and Foster says that he was rector of Hanbury. He took a prominent part in the reception of Qn Elizabeth at Oxford in 1564 and was violently attacked by Martin Marprelate as an unlearned prelate (*D. N. B.* and *Foster*). Rectory worth 5*l.* in 1604.

[8] **Lutwich.** Born at Lutwyche Park, Salop; student of Inner Temple 1594; ordained before he matriculated 5 Mar. 1601-2 S. John's Coll. Ox., aged 28 (*Foster*); preb. of Flixton 11 Nov. 1602-42. (*Lans. MS.* 443, p. 19.)

[9] **Pickin.** Son of Thos Pickin of Maer; M.A. 1637 Magdalen Hall, Ox. (*Foster*); curate at Blithfield c. 1635-1645; married 4 Nov. 1639 at Blithfield Elizabeth Beardmore; paid the first fruits for this rectory on 19 May 1647. On the 24 July of that year the committee for plundered ministers enquired into a complaint made by Joseph Sound, who asserted that he had been settled into this rectory. The committee ordered that Sound be confirmed in this rectory unless Pickin could show good cause to the contrary before 9 Nov. 1647. Apparently Pickin did show such good cause, for he was still minister here in 1651-2 (*Add. MS.* 15671, pp. 162, 240). Walker states that he was sequestered, but this seems doubtful.

[10] **Sond.** *See preceding note.* Curate at Newcastle (q.v.) c. 1650-4; presented by Oliver Cromwell to this rectory (*Lamb. MS.* 997, p. 19); frequently certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry (*Lamb. MSS.* 997, p. 19; 999), owed 1*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.* for the "King's gift" or subsidy Jan. 1661-2; a non-subscriber in 1662 (*Dioc. Reg., Calamy*).

[11] **Broad.** *See* **Alton.**

[12] **Morrey.** Occurs frequently as curate in local wills between 1521 and 1555.

[13] **Taverner.** Paid 6*s.* 8*d.* subsidy as curate in 1571 (19-523).

[14] **Beardmore.** No preacher, no degree, salary 13*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* (1602 *return*), 10*l.* (1604 *return*).

[15] *S. H. C.*, VII, pt. ii, p. 59. No "Lady Service" here is mentioned in any return seen by the compiler. Cassandra, the wife of Humphrey Swynnerton, by her will dated 1565 gives 40*s.* to Sir Sampson Burie, priest, and 3*l.* to Sir Lawrence Baker, clerk, and it is not unlikely that one of them was the family priest here and the other at Shareshill (*ibid.*).

TAMWORTH

In 1563 a vicarage

Certified in 1546 that the collegial and parish church of Tamworth had the cure of 2,400 houseling people, that it had 88 oz. of white plate with other goods & ornaments and that the clear yearly value of its possessions was 106*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.*, which was thus expended:—

55*l.* 17*s.* 9¾*d.* on the salaries of the 6 prebendaries.

5*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.* on the tenths.

36*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* on the wages of the 6 priests at 6*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* each.

1*l.* 2*s.* 2¼*d.* on the bishop's visitation fee.

0*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.* on the archdeacon's fees.

1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* on a custom called a cheff ale.

3*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* on the deacon's wage.

2*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* on a pension to preb. of Coton out of prebend of Wigginton (*a*).

Other returns of about 1548 give the clear yearly value at 102*l.* 9*s.* 11½*d.* (*b*), 104*l.* 3*s.* 11*d.* (*c*), and 107*l.* 5*s.* 0½*d.* (*r*), and state that there were 10 oz. of partly gilt plate, 78¾ oz. of white plate, ornaments worth 12*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.* and that the implements in the mansion house of the vicars choral, which had been given to them about 1445 by Hen Jekes, were worth 0*l.* 18*s.* 1*d.* (*b*). This house with its garden was subsequently let for 1*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* (*r*).

This college was dissolved in 1547. On 20 June 1548 the commissioners ordered that there should be a preacher here at a salary of 20*l.* p.a., with two assistant curates at a salary of 8*l.* each p.a., who should all dwell in the vicarage house of the vicars choral.[1]

These salaries continued to be the only endowment for the clergy here until 1646, when they were augmented by the committee for plundered ministers, as the parish was then reported to be a great market town with eight villages thereto belonging[2] (cf. *note* 23).

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: *5 bells (*s*); 3 sacring bells. (*2 of these bells are sold for 10*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*, which will be employed upon the free school and other necessaries of the church and town now in sore decay.) 2 partly gilt silver chalices with 2 patens; 2 corporals with their cases; 3 vestments, 1 of black damask, 1 of red velvet with albe, 1 of green Bruges satin with albe; 1 cope;

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Certified in 1546 that the collegiate and parish church of Tamworth had the cure of 2,400 housling people, that it had 88 oz. of white plate with other goods & ornaments and that the clear yearly value of its possessions was 100l. 9s. 8d., which was thus expended:—

55l. 17s. 9½d. on the salaries of the 6 prebendaries.
5l. 14s. 8d. on the tenths.
36l. 0s. 0d. on the wages of the 6 priests at 6l. 0s. 0d. each.
1l. 2s. 2½d. on the bishop's visitation fee.
0l. 18s. 4d. on the archdeacon's fees.
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3 altar cloths; 3 towels; 2 brazen candlesticks. These items had been allowed to remain here after the dissolution of the college, when the other ornaments etc. had been taken away.

In 1604 there were many recusants here and three chapels.

The parish register records an outbreak of the plague at Tamworth in 1563 and 1626 and in 1597 that "dyvers died of the blouddie fluxe, at which tyme the darth of corne somewhat abated by reason of deathe and Danske Rye."

THE COLLEGE

All the appointments of the deans and prebendaries are taken from the Patent Rolls unless otherwise specified.

THE DEANS

10 Ap. 1522		Rich Rawson
27 May 1525	ob. 1538	Thos Parker D.Can.L. [3]
17 Oct. 1538	occ. 1548	Simon Symons [4]

PREB. OF AMINGTON (*r*)

The Deans

PREB. OF BONEHILL

occ. 1533-8		John Wylcocks D.D. [5]
11 Dec. 1538		Edw Leyton
21 Dec. 1547 ff.	occ. 1548	Robt Johnson B.C.L. [6]

PREB. OF COTON

8 May 1523	occ. 1533	Thos Hall
8 Aug. 1540	occ. 1548	John Synger [7]

PREB. OF SYERSCOTE

occ. 1533-48		John Fyssher [8]

PREB. OF WIGGINTON CUM COMBERFORD (*c*)

occ. 1533	ob. 1538	Roger Dyngley D.D. [9]
1 Aug. 1538	occ. 1548	Humphry Horton B.A. [10]

PREB. OF WILNECOTE

11 July 1528	occ. 1538	Wm Wescote [11]
20 Oct. 1545 ff.	1548	Rich Pygott [12]

VICARS CHORAL OR STIPENDIARIES [13]

occ. 1533		John Bee
occ. 1533		John Brette
occ. 1533-48		Wm Crokell [14]
occ. 1533-48		Geoffrey Hatherington [15]
occ. 1533	w.p. 29 Mar. 1547	John Licett
occ. 1533		Ralph Mere
occ. 1533		Thos Pyrre
occ. 1533		Geo Planckeney
occ. 1533		Thos Scheymon
occ. 1533		John Walker
occ. 1533		Ralph Wilcocks
occ. 1533		Roger de Wylnecote
occ. 1548		Thos Lessall [16]
occ. 1548		Nich Bageley [17]
occ. 1548		John Pynder [18]

VICARS

	in 1563	no vicar [19]
	(bur. 10 Ap. 1578	John Wright)? [20]
1578	res. 1610	Roger Molde [21]
28 Aug. 1610	res. 1629	Samuel Hodgkinson [22]
12 Nov. 1629	bur. 11 June 1657	Thos Blake M.A. [23]
23 Nov. 1657	res. 1662	Samuel Langley B.D. [24]
1662	res. 16 Dec. 1663	Ralph Astle B.A.? [25]
17 Dec. 1663	bur. 23 Jan. 1693-4	Samuel Langley B.D. [24]
19 June 1694	bur. 16 Oct. 1710	Samuel Collins

CURATES

	bur. May 1567	Peter Stringer [26]
occ. 14 Ap. 1578	bur. 22 Aug. 1588	Rich Walker [27]
occ. Jan. 1588-9	bur. 1 Mar. 1625-6	John Oldacre [28]
occ. Sep. 1643	bur. 13 Jan. 1650-1	Theophilus Lord M.A. [29]

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	occ. 1533-48	Wm Crakell[14]
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	occ. 1533	Ralph Mere
	occ. 1533	Thos Tyrre
	occ. 1533	Geo Plumbeney
	occ. 1533	Thos Subeymon
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	occ. 1533	Ralph Wilcocks
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occ. Sep. 1643	bur. 13 Jan. 1650-1	Theophilus Lord M.A.[30]

MINISTERS

bur. 22 May 1579	John Shemond [30]
occ. 23 Mar. 1596-7	Thos Lawkin [31]
occ. 1602? 1612, bur. 7 Dec. 1630	John Reade [32]
occ. 30 Nov. 1625—9 Oct. 1626	Edw Sutton [33]
occ. 4 Dec. 1629	Anthony Lapthorn [34]
occ. 13 June 1633—10 Ap. 1635	Wm Hauckshurst [35]
occ. 1651	Wm Rock [36]

SERVICE OF S. GEORGE

Certified in 1548 that this service had been endowed with lands worth 11*l.* 3*s.* 0¼*d.* net p.a. for a priest to sing morrow mass daily in the chapel of S. George within the parish church and also to keep a free school here (*b*, *c*). Circa 1550 this endowment is given as 5*l.* 17*s.* 2*d.*, but a separate mention is made of lands given by Michael Agarde and John Shepherd, clerk, to augment keep of priest worth 5*l.* 14*s.* 6¼*d.*, which no doubt belonged to this service (*r*). The Patent Rolls contain a license issued 16 July 1536 to Michael Agard and John Shepard as executors of Philip Baily to found a chantry within Tamworth church. In 1548 this service possessed 6 oz. of partly gilt plate, ornaments worth 2*s.* 10*d.* and a vessel " used to be letten out for reparations " of the tenements worth 37*s.* 2*d.* (*b*). In June 1548 the salary of the incumbent was 10*l.* 18*s.* 2¼*d.* (*c*). (*See notes* 38, 44.)

INCUMBENT

occ. 1548 — Rich Broke (*c*)

OUR LADY'S CHAPEL

Within the parish church (*c*, *r*).

A CHAPEL IN THE CHURCHYARD

Certified in 1548 that these chapels were endowed with lands worth 5*s.* 0*d.* net p.a. given by Thos Barnwell and others (*c*, *r*).

OBITS

Certified in 1548 that the following obits had been kept in the parish church by the vicars choral (*b*, *r*).

Ministers

bur. 22 May 1570	John Sherwood [a]
occ. 23 Mar. 1596–7	Thos Lawton [a]
occ. 1602? 1612, bur. 7 Dec. 1630	John Reade [a]
occ. 30 Nov. 1623—9 Oct. 1630	Edw Sutton [a]
occ. 4 Dec. 1639	Anthony Lapthorn [a]
occ. 13 June 1633—10 Ap. 1635	Wm Hanckelnat [a]
occ. 1651	Wm Rock [a]

SERVICE OF S. GEORGE

Certified in 1548 that this service had been endowed with lands worth 11*l.* 3*s.* 0½*d.* net p.a. for a priest to sing requiem masses daily in the chapel of S. George within the parish church and also to keep a free school here (*b*, *c*). Circa 1550 this endowment is given as 5*l.* 17*s.* 2*d.*, but a separate mention is made of lands given by Michael Agarde and John Shepherd, clerk, to augment keep of priest worth 5*l.* 14*s.* 6½*d.*, which no doubt belonged to this service (*x*). The Patent Rolls contain a license issued 16 July 1556 to Michael Agard and John Shepard as executors of Philip Haily to found a chantry within Tamworth church. In 1548 this service possessed 0 *ox.* of partly gilt plate, ornaments worth 2*s.* 10*d.* and a vessel "used to be letten out for reparations" of the tenements worth 17*s.* 2*d.* (*b*). In June 1548 the salary of the incumbent was 10*l.* 18*s.* 2½*d.* (*e*). (See notes 38, 44.)

INCUMBENT

occ. 1548 — Rich Broke (*e*)

OUR LADY'S CHAPEL

Within the parish church (*c*, *x*).

A CHAPEL IN THE CHURCHYARD

Certified in 1548 that these chapels were endowed with lands worth 5*s.* 0*d.* net p.a. given by Thos Barnwell and others (*c*, *x*).

GHTS

Certified in 1548 that the following ghts had been kept in the parish church by the vicars choral (*b*, *x*).

			l.	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*
Sir Thos Ferrers kt [37] a rent of			1	6	8		
Humphrey Jacob	land	worth		4	8 or	3	8
Thos Meire & Rich Dalton	do	,,		5	5		
Thos Taylor	one shop	,,		3	3		
Rich Baxter	land	,,		9	0		
Hen Cowper	do	,,		9	0		
Wm Panell	do	,,		9	0 or		9
John Gefferey	do	,,		6	8		
Wm Scale or Saele	do	,,		3	4		
Leonard Ferrers, gent., & John Price, clk	do	,,		7	0		
Thos Wright for 2 obits	do	,,		6	6		
John Irpe	do	,,		6	4		
Rich Freman, clk	do	,,		7	8		
John Mathew	do	,,		5	0		
Thos Baker alias Dreson	lands	,,		4	0		
Peter Goabout or Garbout	lands?	,,		2	10		
Wm Wilkox & Wm Irpe, clk, for 2 obits	tenament	,,		6	8		
John Abel & John Coton	rent	,,		4	0		
James Akeyley	lands	,,		7	0		
John a Grene	house & garden	,,		6	1½		
Rich Bretten [38]	lands	,,		2	10		

AMINGTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563.

Discovered c. 1552 that this chapel was endowed with a stock of 5*l.* in money for the use of the priest therein. Also that there was a suite of ornaments and 2 bells in the hands of John Marely? and *illegible*, and that 1 bell had been sold (*m*). This chapel is also mentioned in 1553 (*n*).

"THE HOSPITAL OF SAYNT JAMES"

"Memer(andum) that Sr Hugh Willoughby Knyght gave certen lands to one John Marmyon hys howshold s(er)vant, after whoes decease the sayd S' Hugh gave the sayd Lands to Robt p(ar)ot Clerke hys chapelleyne whoo for Losyng of his p(ro)mocon (as he sayth) voluntaryly payd ye xth whereby it was taken for a spirytuall p(ro)mocon.

			£.	s.	d.
Sir Thos Ferrers kt[77] a rent of			1	0	5
Humphrey Jacob	land	worth	4	5 or 3	8
Thos Moire & Rich Dalton	do	"	5		5
Thos Taylor	one shop	"	3		3
Rich Baxter	land	"	9		0
Hen Cowper	do	"	9		0
Wm Panell	do	"	0	0 or	0
John Geffrey	do	"	6		8
Wm Scale or Seale	do	"	3		4
Leonard Ferrers, gent., &					
John Price, clk	do	"	7		0
Thos Wright for 2 obits	do	"	6		6
John Irpe	do	"	0		4
Rich Freman, clk	do	"	7		8
John Matthew	do	"	5		0
Thos Baker alias Dreson	lands	"	4		0
Peter Goabout or Gabout	lands?	"	2		10
Wm Willcox & Wm Irpe,					
clk, for 2 obits	tenament	"	6		8
John Abel & John Cotton	rent	"	4		0
James Akeyley	lands	"	7		0
John a Grene	houses &				
	garden	"	6		1½
Rich Bretten[78]	lands	"	2		10

AMINGTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1503.

Discovered c. 1552 that this chapel was endowed with a stock of 5l. in money for the use of the priest thereon. Also that there was a suite of ornaments and 2 bells in the hands of John Marely and illegible, and that 1 bell had been sold (m). This chapel is also mentioned in 1553 (n).

"THE HOSPITAL OF SAYNT JAMES"

"Memer(andum) that Sr Hugh Willoughby Knyght gave certen lands to one John Marryon hys howsehold s(er)vant, after whose decease the sayd S' Hugh gave the sayd Lands to Robt p(ar)ot Clerke hys chapellayne whoe for Lesyng of his p(ro)mocon (as he sayth) voluntarylye payd ye xth wherebye it was taken for a spiryttuall p(ro)mocon.

" The Revenues ben yerely imployed for

" The Salary of the sayd Robt 56*s.* 8*d.*

" The Xth 10*s.*

" The sayd Hospitall is no p(ar)yshe Churche & is dystant from ye sayd Towne p(er) est(imationem) half a myle.

" The Possessiones therof being not chardged wyth any ordin(ar)y Resolucons or deduccons going out of the same ben clerely valued by yere at 66*s.* 8*d.*

" Plate Jewells Ornaments goods or Catalls Belongyng to the same—None " (*a*).

The aforementioned is certified in 1548 as The Free Chapel of S. James commonly called The "Spittell" Chapel, net income 66*s.* 8*d.*, no plate or goods (*b*, *c*), salary of Robt Parroll, clerk, incumbent 60*s.* (*c*).

By 1550 this Free Chapel or Hospital near Tamworth had been sold (*r*). Not mentioned in 1563.

INCUMBENT

occ. 1535-48 Robt Parrot?[39]

S. LEONARD'S CHAPEL[40] AT WIGGINTON

Not mentioned in 1563.

Certified in 1548 to be endowed with lands worth 2*s.* 8*d.* net p.a. to hire a priest to sing (mass) in this chapel at such times as for foulness of the weather the inhabitants there cannot get to their parish church, which is one mile away. No other service was maintained in this chapel and there were no plate or goods (*b*). In 1549 all the property is said to have been formerly certified except the chapel yard worth 8*d.* p.a. & some ornaments worth 2*s.* 0*d.* (*e*).

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 2 small bells; 1 vestment with the appurtenances.

INCUMBENT

ob. c. 1651 Geo Ouldacre[41]

WILNECOTE CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563.

Certified in 1548 to be a chapel of ease for the inhabitants of Wilnecote, being four miles distant from the parish church and separated by " foule ways." Endowed with lands worth

1*l.* 16*s.* 0*d.* (circa 1550 1*l.* 18*s.* 0*d.*) (*r*) net p.a. for the stipendiary here. No plate or goods (*b*). Discovered in 1553 1 chalice, 1 suite of ornaments & 2 bells here in the hands of Hen Wylcocke and Thos Draycote? and that the chapel was covered with lead (*h, m, n*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1548	bur. 21 Feb. 1556-7	John Shepherd [42]
occ. 1651-2		Daniel Bourne B.A. [43]

NOTES

[1] C. F. Palmer's *History of Tamworth.* This order is not mentioned in the *Grants*, Bundle 1, No. 24, which is confined to Staffordshire. Probably it is in the Warwickshire bundle.

[2] *Bod. MS.* 323, pp. 266, 267.

[3] **Parker.** D.Can.L. 1525 Ox., chanc. of Worcester 1522, canon of Hereford 1524, precentor and chanc. of Salisbury, dean of Stafford, etc. (*Foster*). Paid tax of 32*s.* as dean here in 1533.

[4] **Symons.** Salary 1548 18*l.* 18*s.* 0*d.* (*c*); pension 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (*p*); deprived 1546 of preb. of Hansacre for non-payment of subsidies (*Harwood*, p. 235).

[5] **Wylcocks,** Wylkox. D.D. of Tarragona university (Spain), supplicated for incorporation at Oxford in 1508 and was incorporated at Cambridge in 1511 (*Foster*). Paid tax of 9*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

[6] **Johnson.** B.C.L. 1531 Camb.; canon of Rochester 1541, of Worcester 1544, of Hereford 1551, of York 1556, of Southwell in 1558; held other preferments; wrote against Hooper; died in 1559 (*D. N. B.*, *Foster*). In 1548 his salary and pension from this prebend was 4*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.* (*c, p*).

[7] **Synger.** Salary 1548 6*l.* 18*s.* 11½*d.* (*c*); pension 6*l.* (*p*).

[8] **Fyssher.** Paid tax of 3*s.* 1¼*d.* in 1533; salary 1548 3*l.* 4*s.* 0*d.* (*c*); pension same. *See* **Draycott-in-the-moors.**

[9] **Dyngley.** Paid tax of 10*s.* as preb. here in 1533. *See* **Bradeley.**

[10] **Horton.** Salary 1548 13*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* (*c*); pension 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (*p, q*). He may be identical with one or more of the following priests of this name: viz. the preb. of Willenhall, Wolverhampton (c. 1541-63), who had a pension of 4*l.* 17*s.* 9*d.* (*p*), a subscriber in 1559 at Derby, the vicar of Kenwyn & Kea, Corn., from 1547, the vicar of Marston, Derby, from 1554, the vicar of Fairford, Glouc., from 1563, a graduate at Oxford, B.A. 1524 (*Foster*).

[11] **Wescote.** Paid tax of 8*s.* 10½*d.* in 1533.

[12] **Pygott.** A layman; salary 1548 7*l.* 4*s.* 0*d.* (*c*).

[13] All the stipendiaries here in 1533 paid a tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* except Mere, Walker and Wilcocks, who paid 4*s.* 5¼*d.*

1l. 10s. od. (circa 1550 1l. 18s. od.) (a) not p.a. for the stipendiary here. No plate or goods (b). Discovered in 1553 1 chalice, 1 suite of ornaments & 2 bells here in the hands of Ines Wylcocke and Thos Draycote[1] and that the chapel was covered with lead (k, m, n).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1548 bur. 21 Feb. 1556-7 John Shepherd [12]
occ. 1561-2 Daniel Bourne R.A. [13]

NOTES

[1] C. E. Palmer's History of Tamworth. This order is not mentioned in the Grants, Bundle 1, No. 24, which is confined to Staffordshire. Probably it is in the Warwickshire bundle.

[2] Bod. MS. 323, pp. 268, 270.

[3] Parker, D.Can.L. 1525 Ox., chanc. of Worcester 1532, canon of Hereford 1534, precentor and chanc. of Salisbury, dean of Stafford, etc. (Foster). Paid tax of 12s. as dean here in 1535.

[4] Symons. Salary 1548 18l. 10s. od. (c); pension 6l. 12s. 4d. (p); deprived 1549 of preb. of Hanmere for non-payment of subsidies (Harwood, p. 235).

[5] Wylcocks, Wylkox. D.D. of Tarragona university (Spain), supplicated for incorporation at Oxford in 1508 and was incorporated at Cambridge in 1511 (Foster). Paid tax of 9s. 4d. in 1533.

[6] Johnson. B.C.L. 1531 Camb.; canon of Rochester 1541, of Worcester 1544, of Hereford 1555, of York 1559, of Southwell in 1558; held other preferments; wrote against Hooper; died in 1559 (D. N. B., Foster). In 1548 his salary and pension from this preferment was 4l. 10s. 4d. (c, p).

[7] Synger. Salary 1548 6l. 18s. 11½d. (c); pension 6l. (p).

[8] Fyssher. Paid tax of 3s. 1½d. in 1533; salary 1548 3l. 4s. 6d. (c); pension same. See Draycott-in-the-moors.

[9] Dyngley. Paid tax of 10s. as preb. here in 1533. See Bradley.

[10] Horton. Salary 1548 13l. 18s. 8d. (c); pension 6l. 13s. 4d. (p, q). He may be identified with one or more of the following priests of this name: viz. the preb. of Willenhall, Wolverhampton (c. 1541-93), who had a pension of 4l. 17s. 9d. (p), a subscriber in 1559 at Derby, the vicar of Kenwyn & Ica, Corn., from 1549, the vicar of Marston, Derby, from 1554, the vicar of Bainford, Chesh., from 1563, a graduate at Oxford, B.A. 1544 (Foster).

[11] Wescote. Paid tax of 8s. 10½d. in 1533.

[12] Pygott. A layman; salary 1548 7l. 4s. 6d. (c).

[13] All the stipendiaries here in 1553 paid a tax of 5s. 4d. except Mere, Walker and Willcocks, who paid 4s. 8½d.

[14] **Crokell,** Crokehill. Vicar choral for preb. of Wilnecote; salary 5*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* 1548 (*c*); pension 5*l.* (*p*).

[15] **Hatherington.** Vicar choral for the dean; similar salary and pension.

[16] **Lessall.** Vicar choral for preb. of Syerscote; similar salary and pension.

[17] **Bageley.** Vicar choral for preb. of Bonehill; similar salary and pension; subscribed in 1559.

[18] **Pynder.** Deacon or lay vicar choral; salary and pension 3*l.* (*c, p*).

[19] *Return of July* 1563.

[20] **Wright.** *See* **Elford.**

[21] **Molde.** A preacher, non-resident (1604 *return*), not mentioned in 1593 return; married 30 Nov. 1589 at Tamworth Sycell Seale; his two eldest children baptized here 1590, 1591; no mention of him in register after this date.

[22] **Hodgkinson.** Perhaps matriculated 1605 S. Alban's Hall, Ox., aged 19, son of a Northants minister, vicar of Kingsbury, co. Warw., 1616 (*Foster*). Ordered to preach here at least once a fortnight (*Palmer's Tamworth*).

[23] **Blake.** M.A. 1623 Ch. Ch. Ox.; married 27 Ap. 1631 Jane Wagstaff of Drayton Bassett. In 1643 the committee of safety for co. Warw. appointed Theoph. Lord (*see note* 29) to be the preacher here, though he was forbidden to do anything else than preach. However, in May 1644 Lord took over the whole duty of a minister here and Blake apparently went to S. Akmund's, Shrewsbury, from 1645-50. In May and June 1646 the committee for plundered ministers found that there was but a 20*l.* stipend for the preacher here and 8*l.* each for two curates, so it made a grant of 20*l.* p.a. to the minister here from a prebend of this church sequestered from Sir Robt Fisher, the farmer thereof, and a further grant of 30*l.* p.a. from another prebend sequestered from Sir John Reppington, delinquent. It made another grant of 40*l.* p.a. for a coadjutor to the minister, who was to preach a weekly lecture in the church (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. i, p. 74; F. 2, pt. i, pp. 92, 99, 147, 223; *Bod. MS.* 323, pp. 266, 267). In 1654 Blake was appointed assistant to the commissioners for the removal of scandalous ministers and in 1655 he is found certifying the fitness of candidates for the ministry. (*Lamb. MS.* 996, p. 163.) On 6 Nov. 1655 the trustees ordered that he should have 20*l.* as minister and 40*l.* as lecturer. (*Lamb. MS.* 970, pp. 65, 67.) He was a prolific author. (*D. N. B.*; *King's Pamph.* 744, No. 1; *Simms*, etc.)

[24] **Langley.** Fellow of Ch. Ch. Camb., M.A. 1646 (*Venn*); minister of Swettenham, co. Chest. (*Simms*), when nominated by the governors of Tamworth grammar school for this living in Nov. 1657. Between

29 Sep. 1657 and 24 June 1658 this place was duly supplied as well on "the Lords dayes as Lecture dayes" by godly and able ministers at the care and provision of the church wardens, so Langley only received the 60*l.* augmentation from this last date. He was admitted by the commissioners on 23 July 1658 and paid a subsidy of 2*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1661. (*Lamb. MSS.* 995, p. 610; 999, p. 74.) After 1663 he lived at Bole hall.

[25] **Astle.** *See* **Sandon.**

[26] **Stringer.** Described as curate in burial register.

[27] **Walker.** Possibly B.A. 1555-6 Corp. Ch. Camb. (*Venn*); married 1 Sep. 1578 at Tamworth Ellen Hunter.

[28] **Oldacre.** No preacher, stipend 16*l.* (1604 *return*); did not appear for examination in 1593; married 1st Joan (ob. 1605), 2nd Ann (ob. 1623); died at Fazeley.

[29] **Lord.** M.A. 1638 New Inn Hall, Ox., son of Robt Lord of Cropredy, Oxon. (*Foster*). *See note* 23.

[30] **Shemond.** Described as minister of the Word.

[31] **Lawkin.** Described as clerk, perhaps only the parish clerk.

[32] **Reade.** Possibly B.A. 1596-7 Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*); described thrice as preacher, once as minister, between 1602-10 one of this name occurs in the register without any description.

[33] **Sutton.** Described as minister. Possibly fellow of S. John's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1608, B.D. 1616 (*Venn*).

[34] **Lapthorn.** Described as preacher when his wife was buried here in 1629. A puritan Oxford graduate of this name was chaplain to James I and held livings in many counties till deprived of them in 1634 (*Foster*).

[35] **Hauckshurst,** Hakshurst. Described as minister.

[36] **Rock.** *See* **Mayfield.**

[37] **Ferrers.** This rent had been given on 10 Feb. 1495 for 3 masses to be said each week and for a yearly obit (*Palmer's Tamworth*).

[38] **Bretten.** Lands worth 1*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* p.a. had been given for a mass to be said every Friday in the church and for one yearly obit, but all the endowment (save 2*s.* 10*d.*) was yearly employed upon the morrow mass priest or schoolmaster and is returned as part of his endowment (*b*).

[39] **Parrot,** Parrott, Parot, Parroll. Received a pension of 60*s.* in 1548 (*p*).

[40] Chapel dedicated to S. Leonard (*S. H. C.*, XI, p. 264).

[41] **Ouldacre.** Lately dead (1651-2 *return*).

[42] **Shepherd.** Received a pension of 29*s.* 4*d.* in 1548 (*p*).

[43] **Bourne.** *See* **Weeford.**

[44] *Lands* at Wigginton formerly belonging to the Service of S. George are mentioned in *Leases*, Roll 11, No. 10.

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[22] Astle. See Sandon.

[23] Stringer. Described as curate in burial register.

[24] Walker. Possibly B.A. 1535-6 Corp. Cn. Camb. (Venn); married 1 Sep. 1576 at Tamworth Ellen Hunter.

[25] Oldacre. No preacher, stipend 16l. (1651 return); did not appear for examination in 1653; married 1st Joan (ob. 1603), 2nd Ann (ob. 1623); died at Fazeley.

[26] Lord. M.A. 1638 New Inn Hall. Ox., son of Robt. Lord of Cropredy, Oxon. (Foster). See note 23.

[27] Sherwood. Described as minister of the Word.

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[32] Hancksturst, Halesturst. Described as minister.

[33] Rock. See Mayfield.

[34] Ferrers. This rent had been given on 10 Feb. 1495 for 3 masses to be said each week and for a yearly obit (Palmer's Tamworth).

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[36] Parrot, Parrott, Pirot, Parroll. Received a pension of 60s. in 1548 (b).

[37] Chapel dedicated to S. Leonard (S. W. C., xii, p. 201).

[38] Oldacre. Lately dead (1651-2 return).

[39] Shepherd. Received a pension of 20s. 4d. in 1548 (b).

[40] Bourne. See Wetford.

[41] Lands at Wiggington formerly belonging to the Service of S. George are mentioned in Lease, Roll 11, No. 10.

TATENHILL

In 1563 a rectory with two chapels of ease with cure at Barton-under-Needwood & Wichnor in Tamworth D.

Ch. Orn., 10 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 4 vestments; 2 albes; 2 dornick tunacles; 1 dornick cope; 1 plate cross; 2 altar cloths; 4 towels; 2 little candlesticks; 3 bells (*s*). Recently the church had been robbed of 1 vestment; 1 albe; " the " altar cloths; 2 towels; 1 surplice; 1 rochet. **Ch. wds.:** Wm Buste & Wm Togood.

Patron: the Crown—Duchy of Lancaster.

RECTORS

occ. before 1510		Wm Whitgreave [1]
occ. 1516		John Russell [2]
(occ. 1528		Ralph Sneyd LL.D. [3])?
	res. 1530	Thos Leson [4]
6 Mar. 1529-30	(ob. 1537)?	Robert Batty [5]
5 July 1537	ob. 1552	John Taylor D.D. [6]
19 July 1552	ob. 1558	Wm Taylor M.A. [7]
11 Nov. 1558	ob. 1562	Geo. Mason
3 Nov. 1562	bur. 6 Dec. 1587	Thos Pegge [8]
17 Feb. 1587-8	res. 1596	Hadrian a Sarravia D D. [9]
6 Mar. 1595-6	ob. c. Jan. 1610-1	Bruce Babington D.D. [10]
21 Jan. 1610-11	bur. 30 Jan. 1617-18	Robt Blower M.A.? [11]
11 Mar. 1617-18	bur. 15 Feb. 1646-7	John Balcanquell B.D. [12]
1 Mar. 1646-7	(depr. 1660)?	Hen Burford M.A. [13]
1 Sep. 1660	depr. 1662	Robt Wild D.D. [14]
6 Oct. 1662	res. 1662	Aylmer Linch B.D. [15]
3 Feb. 1662-3	bur. 31 Mar. 1695	Thos Masters M.A. [16]

CURATES

occ. 1533		John Rye
occ. 1586		Wm Shackley [17]
	bur. 7 July 1590	John Bollis
occ. 1593		Thos Newton [18]
(occ. 1646		James Mould B.A.?)? [19]

TATENHILL.

In 1563 a rectory with two chapels of ease with cure at Barton-under-Needwood & Wichnor in Tamworth D.

Ch. Orn., 10 May 1553: 2 silver chalice with paten; 4 vestments; 2 albes; 2 dornick tunacles; 1 dornick cope; 2 plate cross; 2 altar cloths; 4 towels; 2 little candlesticks; 3 bells (4).

Recently the church had been robbed of 1 vestment; 1 albe; "the" altar cloths; 2 towels; 1 surplice; 1 rochet. Ch. wks.: Wm Bustle & Wm Topgood.

Patron: the Crown—Duchy of Lancaster.

RECTORS

occ. before 1510		Wm Whitgreave[1]
occ. 1516		John Ignsall[2]
(occ. 1528		Ralph Sneyd LL.D.[3])
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6 Mar. 1529-30	(ob. 1537)[5]	Robert Barry[6]
5 July 1537	ob. 1552	John Taylor D.D.[7]
10 July 1552	ob. 1558	Wm Taylor M.A.[8]
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11 Mar. 1617-18	bur. 15 Feb. 1646-7	John Balcanquell B.D.[13]
1 Mar. 1646-7	(depr. 1660)[14]	Hen Burford M.A.[15]
1 Sep. 1660	depr. 1662	Robt Wild D.D.[16]
6 Oct. 1662	res. 1662	Aylmer Lynch B.D.[17]
3 Feb. 1662-3	bur. 31 Mar. 1695	Thos Masters M.A.[18]

CURATES

occ. 1533		John Rye
occ. 1556		Wm Shuckley[19]
	bur. 7 July 1590	John Bollis
occ. 1593		Thos Newton[20]
(occ. 1616		James Mould B.A.[21])

BARTON CHAPEL[20]

In 1563 a chapel of ease with cure.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 copes, 1 of black velvet, 1 of dornick; 2 vestments; 2 albes; 2 altar cloths; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 2 surplices; 1 brass & tin cross; 3 bells. **Chapel wds.:** John Whiting, the elder, & Rich Hulland.

CURATES

occ. 1533		Wm Grene [21]
	bur. 8 July 1580	Wm Henshaw [22]
4 Aug. 1580	4 Aug. 1596	Thos Bankes [23]
occ. 1598-1604		John Wilson B.A. [24]
occ. 1604-1608		Thos Clayton [25]
occ. 1609		Thos. Turpin B.A.? [26]
occ. 1611		James Osborne [27]
occ. 1613-1614		Thos Sedgwicke [28]
occ. 1615-1617		Thos Naylor [29]
occ. 1618	bur. 6 June 1645	Thos Sedgwicke [28]
occ. 1651-2	occ. 1655	Francis Birch [30]
2 Mar. 1655-6		Thos Bladon [31]
occ. 1559	eject. 1662	Hen Byard M.A.? [32]
occ. 1662	occ. 1671	Geoffrey Ward M.A. [33]

DUNSTALL CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563. Certified in 1546 that Dunstall chantry had been founded by Thos Penyfather, Rich Bolsyer, Rich Godfray & Rich Penyfather to find a priest to sing daily in Dunstall chapel, which was one mile distant from Tatenhill parish church; that its income was 4*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.*, of which the priest had 3*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.* as his salary and that it possessed 6 oz. of partly gilt plate and other goods (*a*).

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 2 vestments, 1 of white fustian, 1 of green saie; 2 corporals with their cases; 3 altar cloths; 1 "superaltarie"; 1 towel; 2 maslyn candlesticks; 1 coffer; 1 bell; 1 sanctus bell. 1 chalice had been delivered to Rich Forsett, surveyor. **Chapel wds.:** Wm Togood & James Owen.

Other returns mention two chantries in Dunstall, one with a rent of from 1*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.* to 1*l.* 16*s.* 10*d.*, that had been leased to John Barton on 2 Sep. 1548, & one with a rent of from 4*l.* 13*s.* 2*d.* to 5*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.*[34] It is probable that these chantry lands were granted on 23 Mar. 1555-6 to Sir John Parrot.[35]

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CURATES

occ. 1533		Wm Green *
	bur. 8 July 1580	Wm Hensham **
4 Aug. 1580	4 Aug. 1590	Thos Banks **
occ. 1598-1604		John Wilson B.A. **
occ. 1604-1608		Thos Clayton **
occ. 1609		Thos. Turpin B.A.? **
occ. 1611		James Osborne **
occ. 1613-1614		Thos Sedgwicke **
occ. 1615-1617		Thos Naylor **
occ. 1618	bur. 6 June 1645	Thos Sedgwicke **
occ. 1651-2	occ. 1655	Francis Birch **
2 Mar. 1655-6		Thos Bladon **
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CHAPLAIN

occ. 1535 (w.p. 21 Jan. 1558-9) Hen Warren [36]

WICHNOR CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel of ease to Tatenhill with cure.

CURATES

occ. 1533-35	Rich Walker [37]
w.p. 20 Nov. 1548	John Morres [38]
occ. 1581	Ralph Richardson [39]
occ. 1593	Robt Croxwell [40]
occ. 1602-04	Thos Clayton [41]
occ. 1620	Thos Oldaule [42]
occ. 1651-2	Laurence Brierly [43]
occ. 1665	Geo Swanne [44]

NOTES

[1] **Whitgreave.** Hardy's *Tatenhill*, p. 19.

[2] **Russell,** *idem.* A chaplain of this name took his B.Can.L. at Oxford in 1510 (*Foster*).

[3] **Sneyd.** Son of Wm Sneyd esq. of Bradwell Hall (*Simms*). Harwood states that he was rector here, apparently when appointed preb. of Bobenhall on 28 Jan. 1528-9 (*Lich.*, p. 219).

[4] **Leson,** Leeson, Leyson. Preb. of Gaia minor 1520-7?, became rector of Packington, co. Leicester (*Hardy*, p. 108).

[5] **Batty,** Bate, Boty. Paid tax of 40s. 1533, occurs in 1535, probably died 1537, as this rectory was then vacant by death (*Dioc. Reg.*).

[6] **Taylor** (John). Perhaps some relation of the builder of Barton chapel.

[7] **Taylor** (Wm). Perhaps fellow of Ch. Ch. Camb. (*Venn*), paid first fruits 17 June 1552. Subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 not paid (19-506).

[8] **Pegge.** Father of a numerous family (*Reg. of baptisms*). One daughter married Thos Rugeley, gentleman.

[9] **Sarravia.** Born at Hesdin in Artois in 1531; took part in drawing up the Walloon confession of faith; went to the Channel islands in 1560 as pastor of the French reformed church; became professor of divinity at Leyden in 1582; master of Southampton grammar school in 1587; rector here in 1588 (where one of his children was baptized in that year); canon of Worcester 1591, of Canterbury 1596, of Westminster 1601; vicar of Lewisham 1596-1610; rector of Great

Chart 1610-13; one of the translators of the Bible in 1607; an intimate friend of Rich Hooker; wrote many religious treatises; buried in Canterbury cathedral in 1613 (*D. N. B.*, *Hardy's Tatenhill*, p. 19, etc.).

[10] **Babington.** Fellow of Christ's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1579, B.D. in 1586; rector of Thurcaston, Leic.; preb. of Bishopshull 1592-1611; elected bp of Derry before 31 May 1610; held both this prebend and the rectory of Tatenhill *in commendam* till his death, which is said to have taken place c. 10 Sep. 1611. As his successor to the prebend was admitted 5 Feb. 1610-1 and to this rectory on 21 Jan. 1610-1, his death probably occurred early in Jan. 1610-1. (*Cooper's Athenae Cantab.* III, p. 44; *D. N. B.*, *Venn*, *Simms*, etc.) Rectory worth 140*l.* in 1604.

[11] **Blower.** Perhaps M.A. 1605 Linc. Coll. Oxon. (*Foster*).

[12] **Balcanquell.** M.A. 1611 Edinburgh; B.A. 1619 Exeter Coll. Oxon.; canon of Rochester from 1628; vicar of Boxley, Kent, from 1639 (*Foster*). The parish register shows that he usually lived here and that he was buried here. Walker states that he was sequestered, but he wrongly calls him "Walter" and there is no contemporary evidence of this sequestration. Will pr. 19 May 1647 (*P. C. C.* 104, *Fines*).

[13] **Burford.** M.A. 1619 S. John's Coll. Ox. (*Foster*); appointed to this rectory by Parliament (*Shaw*, II, p. 338) on the death of Balcanquell. His wife was buried here on 3 Mar. 1654-5. Apparently he was deprived of this rectory, as Dr Wild allowed him 20*l.* p.a. to keep him alive as he was reduced to poverty and much impotency (*Par. Reg.*).

[14] **Wild.** M.A. 1639 S. John's Coll. Camb., B.D. 1642 Ox., D.D. 1661; rector of Aynhoe, Northants, 1646—eject. 1662; presented to this rectory by the King, paid 5*l.* subsidy therefor in Jan. 1661-2; ejected for non-subscription; died at Oundle 1679. "A fat jolly and boon presbyterian" (*Wood*); a well-known puritan divine, achieved popularity by many poetical broadsides in which he celebrated the Restoration and other public events (*D. N. B.*, *Foster*, *Venn*, etc.).

[15] **Linch.** M.A. 1626 Jesus Coll. Camb., B.D. 1643 Ox., vicar of Preshute, Wilts., 1643—sequestered 1647; canon of Lincoln 1641-?, of Sarum 1660-?; presented to this rectory by King; rector of Poole Dorset, 1662-?, of Langley Burrell, Wilts., 1663-?; died 1690 (*Foster*).

[16] **Masters.** B.A. 1648 Magd. Hall, Ox., fellow of Exeter Coll. 1648-58, M.A. 1651 (*Foster*).

[17] **Shackley.** Paid a subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1586 (19-533).

[18] **Newton.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris versatatus; ordained by Edmund, bp of Norwich.

Chart 1610-13; one of the translators of the Bible in 1607; an intimate friend of Rich Hooker; wrote many religious treatises; buried in Canterbury cathedral in 1613 (D. N. B., Hardy's Tatenhill, p. 19, etc.).

[10] **Babington**, Fellow of Christ's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1579, B.D. in 1586; rector of Thurcaston, Leic.; preb. of Bishopshill 1592-1611; elected bp of Derry before 31 May 1610; held both this prebend and the rectory of Tatenhill in commendam till his death, which is said to have taken place c. 10 Sep. 1611. As his successor to the prebend was admitted 5 Feb. 1610-11 and to this rectory on 21 Jan. 1610-11, his death probably occurred early in Jan. 1610-11. (Cooper's Athenæ Cantab. III, p. 44; D. N. B., Fenn, Simms, etc.) Rectory worth 1 pd. in 1604.

[11] **Blower**, Peterhps M.A. 1605 Linc. Coll. Oxon. (Foster).

[12] **Balcanquell**, M.A. 1611 Edinburgh; B.A. 1619 Exeter Coll. Oxon.; canon of Rochester from 1628; vicar of Boxley, Kent, from 1639 (Foster). The parish register shows that he usually lived here and that he was buried here. Walker states that he was sequestered, but he wrongly calls him "Walter" and there is no contemporary evidence of this sequestration. Will pr. 10 May 1647 (P. C. C. 102, Fines).

[13] **Burford**, M.A. 1619 S. John's Coll. Ox. (Foster); appointed to this rectory by Parliament (Shaw, II, p. 338) on the death of Balcanquell. His wife was buried here on 3 Mar. 1654-5. Apparently he was deprived of this rectory, as Dr Wild allowed him 20l. pa. to keep him alive as he was reduced to poverty and much impotency (Par. Reg.).

[14] **Wild**, M.A. 1619 S. John's Coll. Camb., B.D. 1642 Ox., D.D. 1661; rector of Aynho, Northants, 1646—elect. 1662; presented to this rectory by the King, paid 5l. subsidy therefor in Jan. 1661-2; elected for non-subscription; died at Oundle 1679. "A lat jolly man been presbyterian" (Wood); a well-known puritan divine, achieved popularity by many poetical broadsides in which he celebrated the Restoration and other public events (D. N. B., Foster, Fenn, etc.).

[15] **Lynch**, M.A. 1626 Jesus Coll. Camb., B.D. 1643 Ox., vicar of Preshute, Wilts, 1643—sequestered 1647; canon of Lincoln 1671-7, of Sarum 1660-7; presented to this rectory by King; rector of Poole Dorset, 1662-7, of Langley Burrell, Wilts., 1663-7; died 1690 (Foster).

[16] **Masters**, B.A. 1648 Magd. Hall, Ox., fellow of Exeter Coll. 1648-58, M.A. 1651 (Foster).

[17] **Shackley**. Paid a subsidy of 6s. 8d. in 1586 (10-333).

[18] **Newton**, Scholaris mundis et in sacris litteris verasatus; ordained by Edmund, bp of Norwich.

[19] **Mould.** Probably M.A. 1643 Sid. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Described as " clericus " in this register.

[20] *See* Hardy's *Tatenhill*, pp. 25-32 and 96, for the history of this chapel. Orgell and Mason should be struck out of his list of curates, as they were parish clerks.

[21] **Grene.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533. *See* **Stafford,** vicars choral.

[22] **Henshaw,** Henshall.

[23] **Bankes.** Scholaris ruralis et in sacris litteris incumbens; ordained by Wm, bp of London.

[24] **Wilson.** B.A., no preacher, salary 10*l.* (1602 *return*), a preacher, salary 10*l.* (1604 *return*), probably B.A. 1592-3 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[25] **Clayton.** *See note* 41.

[26] **Turpin.** Perhaps B.A. 1602 S. Alban's Hall, Ox. (*Foster*).

[27] **Osborne.** Perhaps became curate of Bilston chapel. One of this name entered S. John's, Camb., 1607, B.A. 1614-15, M.A. 1618 (*Venn*).

[28] **Sedgwicke.** One of this name educated at S. John's and Clare Colls. Camb., M.A. 1577 (*Venn*).

[29] **Naylor.** One " Thos Naler " took his B.A. from Ch. Coll. Camb. in 1611-2 (*Venn*).

[30] **Birch.** *See* **Edingale** and **Harlaston.**

[31] **Bladon.** *See* **Alrewas.**

[32] **Byard.** Probably son of Hen Byard of Bretby, co. Derby. If so, M.A. 1641 Magd. Hall, Ox. (*Foster*).

[33] **Ward.** *See* **Harborne.**

[34] *Accounts*, 6798 *et seq.*

[35] *Hardy's Tatenhill*, II, p. 214. *See also* p. 192, which may give the date (1522) of the foundation of this chantry. Cf. *ibid.* I, p. 23. By 1546 the original founder may have been forgotten or confused with the first trustees of this chantry.

[36] **Warren** or Waren. Received a pension of 24*s.* 6*d.* from 10 Sep. 1548 till his death (*Accounts*, 6829-33).

[37] **Walker.** *See* **Caverswall.**

[38] **Morres.** Described in his will as priest of Wichnor; probably had been chaplain at Longdon.

[39] **Richardson.** Occurs in the Barton register.

[40] **Croxwell.** Scholaris ruralis et mediocriter doctus, ordained by Edmund, bp of Peterborough.

[41] **Clayton.** No degree, no preacher, salary 7*l.* (1602 *return*), or 6*l.* (1604 *return*), at Wichnor; became curate of Barton in 1604.

[42] **Oldhaule.** One Thos Oldall of co. York, pleb., matric. at Magd. Hall, Ox., in 1606, aged 22 (*Foster*).

[43] **Brierly.** *See* **Armitage.**

[19] **Mould.** Probably M.A. 1643 Sid. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Described as "clericus" in this register.

[20] See Hardy's *Tatenhill*, pp. 23-32 and 96, for the history of this chapel. Orgell and Mason should be struck out of his list of curates, as they were parish clerks.

[21] **Green.** Paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1332. See **Stafford**, vicars choral.

[22] **Henshaw,** Hemsall.

[23] **Banks.** Scholaris *ruralis et in sacris litteris incumbens*, ordained by Wm, bp of London.

[24] **Wilson.** B.A., no preacher, salary 10*l.* (*ibid.* *xxxvi*), a preacher, salary 10*l.* (*ibid.* *xxxvi*), probably B.A. 1592-3 Jesus Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[25] **Clayton.** See note 41.

[26] **Turpin.** Perhaps B.A. 1604 S. Alban's Hall, Ox (Foster).

[27] **Osborne.** Perhaps became curate of Hilton chapel. One of this name entered S. John's, Camb., 1607, B.A. 1613-15, M.A. 1618 (Venn).

[28] **Sedgwicke.** One of this name educated at S. John's and Clare Colls. Camb., M.A. 1577 (Venn).

[29] **Naylor.** One "Thos Naier" took his B.A. from Ch. Coll. Camb. in 1611-2 (Venn).

[30] **Birch.** See **Edingale** and **Harlaston**.

[31] **Elsdon.** See **Airewas**.

[32] **Byard.** Probably son of Hen. Byard of Breaby, co. Derby, 1580, M.A. 1621 Magd. Hall, Ox. (Foster).

[33] **Ward.** See **Harborne**.

[34] Accounts, 6993 et seq.

[35] Hardy's *Tatenhill*, ii, p. 214. See also p. 102, which may give the date (1522) of the foundation of this chantry. Cf. *ibid.* i, p. 23. By 1546 the original founder may have been forgotten or confused with the first trustees of this chantry.

[36] **Warren or Warren.** Received a pension of 24s. 6d. from 10 Sep. 1548 till his death (Accounts, 6829 33).

[37] **Walker.** See **Caverswall**.

[38] **Morris.** Described in his will as priest of Wilmore; probably had been chaplain at Longdon.

[39] **Richardson.** Occurs in the **Barton** register.

[40] **Croxwell.** Scholaris *ruralis et mediocriter doctus*, ordained by Edmund, bp of Peterborough.

[41] **Clayton.** No degree, no preacher, salary 7*l.* (*ibid.* *xxxvi*), or 6*l.* (*ibid.* *xxxvi*), at Wrednor; became curate of Barton in 1603.

[42] **Oldhaule.** One Thos Oldall of co. York, plebs., matric. at Magd. Hall, Ox., in 1600, aged 22 (Foster).

[43] **Brierly.** See **Armitage**.

[44] **Swanne.** No degree, ordained deacon 14 Dec. 1662, priest 23 Feb. 1663-4, certified the number of hearths here as curate in 1665.

TETTENHALL

Not mentioned in the returns of 1563 or 1593, probably because there seems not to have been any incumbent here between the reign of Edw VI and 1602.[1], [2] Certified in 1546 to have been founded by Edward III (*a*, *b*)—see below—to find a dean and 5 prebendaries to sing (mass) daily within this collegiate and parish church. The clear yearly value of its possessions was 37*l.* 11*s.* 0*d.* and it had no plate or goods (*a*). In 1548 the value is given as 50*l.* 10*s.* 5½*d.* (*c*) and circa 1550 at 50*l.* 17*s.* 0½*d.* (*r*) exclusive of the stipendiary, chantry & obits. There is documentary evidence that the royal free chapel or college here was founded and endowed by King Edgar, 959-975.[3] The college was dissolved by deed dated 4 July 1542,[4] and the possessions subsequently purchased by Walter Wrottesley on 8 May 1549.[5] In 1548 a mansion house for the vicars choral with 13*s.* 7*d.* of household stuff is reported (*b*), and in 1549 it is said that the prebendaries and vicars choral had spent all their ready money before 8 Dec. 1547, except 20*s.*, which they handed to Thos Wollaston of Trescott for 20 trees, not yet delivered (*e*). On 20 July 1548 the commissioners found that there was no parson or vicar endowed for the discharge of the cure here and ordered that Francis Hill should be appointed vicar at a stipend of 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*[6]

Apparently Hill did not accept the appointment, for on 15 Mar. 1548-9 Forsett, the supervisor, reported to the same commissioners that Hen Wollaston, whom they had appointed vicar, had but small learning and was an enemy of the King's proceedings and that John Sheldon was more meet for the post, though even he was not very meet (*d*).

Shortly after this report Sheldon was appointed vicar by the commissioners, but did not give satisfaction to the parishioners, who made a formal though undated complaint of his absence and of the very unsuitable persons that he appointed to take the services.[7]

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 2 silver chalices with patens; 3 vestment suites, 1 of crimson velvet, 1 of green silk, 1 with 3

[4] Swanne, Ne degree, ordained deacon 14 Dec. 1662, priest 23 Feb. 1663-4, certified the number of benefices here as outside in 1665.

TETTENHALL.

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Apparently Hill did not accept the appointment, for on 15 Mar. 1548-9 Trescott, the supervisor, reported to the same commissioners that Hen Wollaston, upon whom they had appointed vicar, had but small learning and was an enemy of the King's proceedings and that John Sheldon was more meet for the post, though even he was not very meet (a).

Shortly after this report Sheldon was appointed vicar by the commissioners, but did not give satisfaction to the parishioners, who made a formal though undated complaint of his absence and of the very unsuitable persons that he appointed to take the services. [7]

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 2 silver chalices with patens; 3 vestment suites, 1 of crimson velvet, 1 of green silk, 1 with 3

vestments partly silk & partly linen cloth; 6 other vestments, 1 of white satin, 2 of crimson satin, 1 of blue Bruges satin, 1 of changeable silk, 1 of old silk; 1 copper cross; 4 copes, 1 of crimson & green Bruges satin, 1 of white Bruges satin, 2 of blue Bruges satin; 1 sanctus bell; 4 bells. Other goods by the consent of the parish had been sold for 6*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*, all of which had been spent upon church repairs except 20*s.* 3*d.*, still in the hands of Hum Wyghtwycke & Rich Wyghtwycke, then ch. wds. **Ch. wds.:** Rich Smithe & Walter Glover.

THE DEAN

occ. 1533-48	Wm Capon D.D. [8]

PREB. OF BARNHURST OR BOBENHILL

occ. 1533-35	Hen Suthwyk [9]
occ. 1548	Thos Watson D.D. ? [10]

PREB. OF CODSALL

occ. 1533-48	Rich Eden [11]

PREB. OF PENDEFORD

occ. 1533		John Capon [12]
occ. 1535	ob. c. 1545	John Incent B.C.L. [13]
19 Sep. 1545 ff.	occ. 1548	Thos Welshe [14]

PREB. OF PERTON

occ. 1533-48	Hen Wollaston [15]

PREB. OF WROTTESLEY

occ. 1533-48	Thos Nethe [16]

VICARS CHORAL

occ. 1533	Nich Webbe [17]
occ. 1533-48	Wm Wyatt [18]
occ. 1533-5	Wm Crofte [19]
occ. 1533	John Lane [20]
occ. 1533	Wm Wollaston [21]
occ. 1533	Hugh Lytylford [22]

occ. 1548		Hen Wightwike [23]
occ. 1548		John Sheldon [24]
occ. 1548		Wm Massye [25]

VICARS

20 July 1548		Francis Hill [26]
1548	dep. 1549	Hen Wollaston [15]
1549	occ. 1553	John Sheldon [24]
	c. 1554-c. 1600	no incumbent [1, 2]
1602		Wm Robie [27]
occ. before 1615		Thos Corbett [28]
occ. 1615		Peter Hadfield [29]
1620	ob. 31 Dec. 1652	Thos Beiston [30]
1653	eject. c. June 1655	Rich Harrison M.A. [31]
25 July 1655	eject. 1662	Thos Buxton [32]
occ. 1665		Andrew Baylie [33]

Curate

c. 1650-1653		Rich Harrison M.A. [31]

CRONKALL'S CHANTRY

Certified in 1548 to have been founded by Rich Cronkall (or Cranckall c. 1528 [34]) for a priest to sing (mass) perpetually for his soul and all souls (*b*). There were no plate or goods and the value of the lands is variously given as 4*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.* net (*b*), 4*l.* 18*s.* 11*d.* net (*c*), and 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, [34] the priest's salary being 4*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.* (*c*). The lands were in Tettenhall Regis (*r*). The stipendiary sang until 1 Edw VI and again in the reign of P. & M. [34]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1548		Wm Wyatt [18]
	temp. P. & M.	a priest [34]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1546 and 1548 that certain lands had been given by John Cresswall and others for a priest to sing (mass) daily at the altar of Our Lady within the church. There were no plate or goods and the value of the lands is variously given as 5*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* (*b*), 5*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.* (*a*), the priest's salary being 5*l.* 0*s.* 8*d.* (*c*). A further? endowment of 1*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* net is certified in 1549 (*e*). [35]

occ. 1548		Hen Wigtwike [22]
occ. 1548		John Sheldon [22]
occ. 1548		Wm Massye [22]

VICARS

20 July 1548		Francis Hill [24]
1548	dep. 1549	Hen Wollaston [25]
1549	occ. 1553	John Sheldon [26]
	c. 1554-c. 1600	[illegible] [27]
	1602	Wm Radie [27]
	occ. before 1613	Thos Corbett [28]
	occ. 1613	Peter Fhufield [29]
	1620	ob. 31 Dec. 1632	Thos Boston [30]
	1633	eject. c. June 1655	Rich Harrison M.A. [31]
25 July 1655	eject. 1662	Thos Hinkfun [32]
	occ. 1665	Andrew Bayllie [33]

CURATE

c. 1650-1653	Rich Harrison M.A. [31]

CRONKALL'S CHANTRY

Certified in 1548 to have been founded by Rich Cronkall (or Cranckall c. 1528 [34]) for a priest to sing (mass) perpetually for his soul and all souls (b). There were no plate or goods and the value of the lands is variously given as £1. 13s. 10d. net (b), £1. 18s. 11d. net (c), and £1. 13s. 4d. [35] the priest's salary being £1. 7s. 2d. (c). The lands were in Tettenhall Regis (c). The stipendiary sang until 1 Edw VI and again in the reign of P. & M. [36]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1548	Wm Wyatt [18]
temp. P. & M.	a priest [37]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1546 and 1548 that certain lands had been given by John Cresswall and others for a priest to sing (mass) daily at the altar of Our Lady within the church. There were no plate or goods and the value of the lands is variously given as £1. 7s. 4d. (b), £1. 4s. 2d. (c), the priest's salary being £1. 0s. 8d. (c). A further endowment of £1. 17s. 8d. was certified in 1549 (c). [38]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5 Wm Crofte[19]
9 June 1542 ff. occ. 1548 Wm Fletcher[36]

S. THOMAS' ALTAR

Rich. Wrottesley bequeathed a cow and a pair of vestments to this altar in 1521, which is situated in the Wrottesley chapel.[37]

OUR LADY'S LIGHT

Certified in 1549 that this had been endowed with two kine, which had been sold and only 12*s.* in money remained (*e*).

LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that a cow worth 12*s.* had been given to keep 4 tapers burning before the image in the church (*e*) and in 1548 that Hugh Alport had given a cow worth 14*s.* for a light in the church (*b*). The Codsall villagers also had been accustomed to pay 1*s.* 3*d.* p.a. to find a lamp in this church (*r*).[38]

OBITS

Certified in 1548 that 7 obits had been kept by the vicars choral here; 5 of the donors were then unknown, whose lands brought in 4*s.*, 3*s.*, 4*s.*, 3*s.* 4*d.*, 2*s.*, respectively, the sixth was a rent of 2*s.* 4*d.*, given by Rich Wilkes, clk., & the last a rent of 3*s.* 4*d.*, given by Wm Crofte, clk. (*b*). A freehold croft called Caldercroft worth 4*s.* p.a. is certified to belong to an obit here in 1549 (*e*), and in 1553 there were found concealed 2 closes worth 4*s.* p.a. in the holding of John Hancocks or Hawes, belonging to 2 obits here, which had been paid to this use until about 7 years previously (*h, l, n*).

NOTES

[1] *History of Tettenhall*, by J. F. Jones, p. 265.

[2] "The first vicar was appointed in 1602" (*Memorials of Old Staffordshire*, p. 150).

[3] *Ibid.* p. 139.

[4] *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 105, p. 97. The confirmation is dated 24 Sep. 1544.

[5] *S. H. C.*, VI, n.s., pt. ii, p. 272.

[6] *Grants.*

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5	Wm Crotte[1]
9 June 1542 R.	occ. 1548 Wm Fletcher[2]

S. THOMAS' ALTAR

Rich. Wrottesley bequeathed a cow and a pair of vestments to this altar in 1521, which is situated in the Wrottesley chapel.[3]

OUR LADY'S LIGHT

Certified in 1549 that this had been endowed with two kine, which had been sold and only 12s. in money remained (a).

LIGHTS

Certified in 1549 that a cow worth 12s. had been given to keep 4 tapers burning before the image in the church (a) and in 1548 that Hugh Alport had given a cow worth 12s. for a light in the church (b). The Codsall villagers also had been accustomed to pay 1s. 3d. p.a. to find a lamp in this church (c).[4]

OBITS

Certified in 1548 that 7 obits had been kept by the vicars choral here; 5 of the donors were then unknown, whose lands brought in 4s., 3s., 4s., 3s., 4d., 2s., respectively, the sixth was a rent of 2s. 4d., given by Rich. Willes, ch., & the last a rent of 3s. 4d., given by Wm Crotte, ch. (b). A freehold croft called Calderecroft worth 4s. p.a. is cert. ought to belong to an obit here in 1549 (c), and in 1553 there were found concealed 2 closes worth 4s. p.a. in the holding of John Hancocks or Hawes, belonging to 2 obits here, which had been paid to this use until about 7 years previously (d, f, g).

NOTES

[1] History of Tettenhall, by J. E. Jones, p. 205.

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[3] Ibid. p. 150.

[4] Aug. Mis. Eff. 105, p. 97. The confirmation is dated 24 Sep. 1544.

[5] S. R. C., vi, n.s., pt. ii, p. 272.

[6] Grants.

[7] Complaint made to Sir Walter Mildemaye knt, Chancellor of the Exchequer, by Edward Luson esq. & Thomas Flymyng yeoman, parishioners of Totenall, co. Staff., in the name of all the inhabitants of Totenall that whereas Sir John Sheldon, clerk, late prebendary of the late collegiate church of Totenall was appointed vicar of the parish church of Totenall by said Sir Walter Mildemaye & other officers of Edw. VI, to minister to the parishioners there, being 1,000 " housling " people & has a yearly stipend of 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* paid him by the Auditor of co. Staff., shortly after his appointment absented himself from that place & procured other spiritual promotions of more or less greater value than the said stipend & has appointed at divers times very unsuitable persons in his place, & although repeatedly asked to perform divine service & give the sacraments himself or to appoint suitable persons, he takes no notice & therefore the parishioners pray that Sir John may serve the cure in person or else the Auditor may be commanded to pay the stipend to complainants that they may procure a suitable person & not one of small reputation & learning as supplied by Sir John.

Note signed by Sir Walter Mildmay that the Receiver stop payment of the stipend until the party serve the cure himself or provide another who shall satisfy the parishioners, failing which the stipend to be paid to such sufficient man as the parish with consent of the ordinary shall provide (*P. R. O. Ecclesiastical*, 135-9-18).

[8] **Capon,** Wm. B.A. 1499, D.D. in 1517; fellow of Cath. Hall, Camb.; master of Jesus Coll. Camb. 1516-46; dean of Ipswich college 1528; held a large number of prebends and benefices; died in 1550. (*D. N. B.*) As dean here he paid a tax of 1*d.* in 1533, had a salary of 17*s.* 9*d.* In 1548 (*c*) and received a pension of this amount (*p*).

[9] **Souythweke,** Suthwyk. Paid tax of 10*s.* in 1533.

[10] **Watson.** Probably identical with the bp of Lincoln 1557—depr. 1559. If so, fellow of S. John's Coll. Camb. 1535, M.A. 1537, D.D. 1554, a humanist and writer, the rector of Wyke Regis 1545-?, chaplain to Gardiner 1545-53, imprisoned in 1547-8 and in 1550, a leading London preacher in the reign of Qn Mary, one of the disputants against Cranmer at Oxford in 1554, a commissioner sent by card. Pole to visit Cambridge university in 1557, dean of Durham 1553-7. After his deprivation from the Lincoln bishopric he was kept in custody till his death in 1584 (*D. N. B.*). In 1548 his salary and pension as prebendary was 4*l.* (*c, p*).

[11] **Eden.** Paid tax of 13*s.* in 1533; of Sudbury in 1535 (*Valor*); probably the author, translator, etc., originally of Queens' Coll. Camb., who was cited before bp Gardiner for heresy and deprived of his place in the English treasury of the Prince of Spain, etc.

[7] Complaint made to Sir Walter Mildmayne kt, Chancellor of the Exchequer, by Edward Lusson esq. & Thomas Flynyng yeoman, parishioners of Totenall, co. Staff., in the name of all the inhabitants of Totenall that whereas Sir John Sheldon, clerk, late prebendary of the late collegiate church of Totenall was appointed vicar of the parish church of Totenall by said Sir Walter Mildmayne & other officers of Edw. VI, to minister to the parishioners there, being 1,000 " housling " people & has a yearly stipend of 12l. 6s. 8d. paid him by the Auditor of co. Staff., shortly after his appointment absented himself from that place & procured other spiritual promotions of more or less greater value than the said stipend & has appointed at divers times very unsuitable persons in his place, & although repeatedly asked to perform divine service & give the sacraments himself or to appoint suitable persons, he takes no notice & therefore the parishioners pray that Sir John may serve the cure in person or else the Auditor may be commanded to pay the stipend to complainants that they may procure a suitable person & not one of small reputation & learning as supplied by Sir John.

Note signed by Sir Walter Mildmay that the Receiver stop payment of the stipend until the party serve the cure himself or provide another who shall satisfy the parishioners, failing which the stipend to be paid to such sufficient man as the parish with consent of the ordinary shall provide (P. R. O. Exchequer, 133-9-15).

[8] Capon, Wm. B.A. 1499, D.D. in 1537; fellow of Cath. Hall, Camb.; master of Jesus Coll. Camb. 1516-40; dean of Ipswich college 1528; held a large number of prebends and benefices; died in 1550 (D. N. B.). As dean here he paid a tax of 14l. in 1533, had a salary of 12s. 9d. in 1548 (c) and received a pension of this amount (f).

[9] Sanythwke, Suthwyk. Paid tax of 10s. in 1533.

[10] Watson. Probably identical with the bp of Lincoln 1557—deprr. 1559. If so, fellow of S. John's Coll. Camb. 1533, M.A. 1537, D.D. 1554, a humanist and writer, the rector of Wyke Regis 1545-7, chaplain to Gardiner 1545-33; imprisoned in 1549-8 and in 1550, a leading London preacher in the reign of Qn Mary, one of the disputants against Cranmer at Oxford in 1554, a commissioner sent by card. Pole to visit Cambridge university in 1557, dean of Durham 1553-7. After his deprivation from the Lincoln bishopric he was kept in custody till his death in 1584 (D. N. B.). In 1548 his salary and pension as prebendary was 4l. (c, f).

[11] Eden. Paid tax of 13s. in 1533 of Sudbury in 1535 (Valor); probably the author, translator, etc., originally of Queens' Coll. Camb., who was cited before bp Gardiner for heresy and deprived of his place in the English treasury of the Prince of Spain, etc.

(*Foster*). In 1548 his salary and pension as prebendary was 3*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* (*c*, *p*).

[12] **Capon,** John. Paid tax of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1533; described as magister; perhaps the notorious Benedictine monk, who toadied to Hen VIII, obtained many valuable preferments & finally became bp of Salisbury from 1539 till his death in 1557, as he took care to be reconciled to Rome in 1553 (*D. N. B.*, etc.).

[13] **Incent.** B.C.L. 1506 Oxford; vicar general to bishop Fox of Winchester; dean of S. Paul's 1540-45; etc. etc.; died in 1545 (*Foster*).

[14] **Welshe.** Probably fellow of Corp. Ch. Ox. in 1516 (*Foster*). In 1548 his salary and pension was 4*l.* (*c*, *p*).

[15] **Wollaston.** Paid tax of 8*s.* in 1533; as preb. of Perton had a salary of 6*l.* 7*s.* 0*d.* in 1548 (*c*) and received a pension of 5*l.* (*p*); appointed vicar 1548 (*see page* 281). Subscribed 1559.

[16] **Nethe,** Neche. Paid tax of 5*s.* 4¼*d.* 1533; resided at Bury S. Edmunds 1535; salary and pension in 1548 60*s.* (*c*, *p*).

[17] **Webbe.** Paid tax of 6*s.* 2½*d.* in 1533; *see* **Codsall.**

[18] **Wyatt.** Paid tax of 6*s.* 2½*d.* as vicar choral in 1533; as vicar choral for preb. of Pendeford had salary and pension of 5*l.* in 1548 (*c*, *p*); also incumbent of Cronkall's chantry in 1548 with salary of 4*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.* (*c*).

[19] **Crofte.** Paid tax of 6*s.* 2½*d.* in 1533 as vicar choral; also the Lady priest here 1535 (*Valor*).

[20] **Lane.** Paid tax of 6*s.* 2½*d.* in 1533; one of this name vicar choral at Lichfield 1533-58.

[21] **Wollaston** (Wm). As vicar choral paid tax of 6*s.* 2½*d.* in 1533.

[22] **Lytylford.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as vicar choral for preb. of Wrottesley in 1533.

[23] **Wightwike,** Whytewyke. Probably paid tax of 6*s.* 2½*d.* as vicar choral of Penkridge in 1533; curate at Norbury in 1538; vicar choral for preb. of Wrottesley in 1548 with salary and pension of 5*l.* (*c*, *p*, *q*).

[24] **Sheldon.** Vicar choral for preb. of Barnhurst in 1548; appointed vicar (*see note* 7); as priest vicar is one of those discovering the concealed property here in 1553 (*n*); subscribed 1559.

[25] **Massye.** Vicar choral for preb. of Codsall in 1548 with salary and pension 80*s.* (*d*, *p*); pension 5*l.* (*q*); subscribed 1559. *See* **Bilston.**

[26] **Hill.** *See page* 281.

[27] **Robie.** Named on the authority of Jones (cf. *note* 2). In 1604 the vicar was no preacher with a salary of 20 marks.

[28] **Corbett.** Perhaps educated at Camb. (*Venn*); described as "late curate" here in 1615 when his daughter was buried at Codsall.

(Foster). In 1548 his salary and pension as prebendary was 4l. 9s. 1d. (6, 9).

[12] Capon, John. Paid tax of 6s. 8d. in 1535; described as magister; perhaps the notorious Benedictine monk, who troubled to Henry VIII. obtained many valuable preferments; finally became bp. of Salisbury from 1539 till his death in 1542, as he took care to be recondiled to Rome in 1533 (D. N. B., etc.).

[13] Incent. B.C.L., 1506 Oxford; vicar general to bishop Fox of Winchester; dean of S. Paul's 1540-45; etc. etc.; died in 1545 (Foster).

[14] Welsh. Probably fellow of Cor. Ch. Ox. in 1518 (Foster). In 1548 his salary and pension was 4l. (6, 9).

[15] Wollaston. Paid tax of 8s. in 1535; as preb. of Perton had a salary of 6l. 7s. 0d. in 1548 (6) and received a pension of 5l. (9); appointed vicar 1543 (see page 281). Subscribed 1550.

[16] Neine, Neche. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. 1533; resided at Bury S. Edmunds 1535; salary and pension in 1548 nos. (6, 9).

[17] Webbe. Paid tax of 6s. 2½d. in 1529; see Codsall.

[18] Wyatt. Paid tax of 6s. 2½d. as vicar choral in 1533; as vicar choral for preb. of Pendeford had salary and pension of 5l. in 1548 (6, 9); also incumbent of Cookhill's chantry in 1548 with salary of 4l. 7s. 2d. (6).

[19] Crofts. Paid tax of 6s. 2½d. in 1533 as vicar choral; also the Lady priest here 1535 (Foster).

[20] Lane. Paid tax of 6s. 2½d. in 1533; one of this same vicar choral at Lichfield 1533-38.

[21] Wollaston (Wm). As vicar choral paid tax of 6s. 2½d. in 1533.

[22] Lyllyford. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. as vicar choral for preb. of Wrottesley in 1533.

[23] Wightwike, Whytewyke. Probably paid tax of 6s. 2½d. as vicar choral of Penkridge in 1533; curate at Norbury in 1538; vicar choral for preb. of Wrottesley in 1548 with salary and pension of 5l. (6, 9).

[24] Sheldon. Vicar choral for preb. of Barnhurst in 1548; appointed vicar (see note 2); as perpet. vicar is one of those discovering the concealed property here in 1533 (9); subscribed 1550.

[25] Massye. Vicar choral for preb. of Codsall in 1548 with salary and pension 8os. (6, 9); pension 5l. (9); subscribed 1550. See Hilston.

[26] Hill. See page 281.

[27] Robie. Named on the authority of Jones (in note 2). In 1561 the vicar was no prebendar with a salary of 20 marks.

[28] Corbett. Perhaps educated at Camb. (Foster), described as "late curate" here in 1615 when his daughter was buried at Codsall.

[29] **Hadfield.** Named on the authority of Jones; occurs 1622-3 as curate at Sheriff Hales.

[30] **Beiston.** On 24 Feb. 1645-6 Sir Walter Wrottesley was ordered to settle 15*l.* p.a. out of his tithes on the minister here. After 3 years' delay he did so. On 17 April 1649 Rich Cresswell of Barnhurst was also ordered to settle a rent charge of 30*l.* on the same (*Compounding*, pp. 1056, 1906).

[31] **Harrison.** *See* **Lichfield S. Mary's.**

[32] **Buxton.** Admitted by the commissioners on the presentation of Oliver Cromwell and was in receipt of an augmentation of 73*l.* p.a. c. 1659 (*Lamb. MSS.* 994, p. 142; 996, p. 163; 981, p. 22). Calamy states that he was ejected. Three men of this name matric. at Camb. between 1625 and 1645 (*Venn*).

[33] **Baylie.** As curate here certifies the number of hearths and himself paid on 3 in Tettenhall Regis; probably son of the late official at Wolverhampton.

[34] *S. H. C.*, VI, n.s., pt. ii, p. 286.

[35] *T. R. Mis. Bk.* 258, p. 109.

[36] **Fletcher.** *See* **Checkley.**

[37] *S. H. C.*, VI, n.s., pt. ii, p. 255.

[38] *Ministers' Accounts, Eliz.* 2015, and (*r*).

THORPE CONSTANTINE

In 1563 a rectory in Tamworth D.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments with all that belong to them, 1 of silk, 1 of bustian; 2 lead cruets; 4 altar cloths; 5 towels; 2 sheets; 2 copes; 1 wood cross; 1 painted cross cloth; 4 banner cloths; 2 surplices; 2 hand bells; 1 sacring bell; 2 bells; 1 sanctus bell (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** Thos Walwin & John Ketel.

Patrons: 1321-1541 *see S. H. C.*, 1911, pp. 94-96; X, n.s., p. 150; XI, p. 251; XII, p. 188. 1554, 1558 Sir Jas Foljambe of Walton, 1604 Burdett, 1620, 1621 Sir Thos Burdett bart, 1668 Wm Inge, then a minor.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	res. 1545	Edw Harlyng [1]
14 Dec. 1545	bur. 15 Nov. 1551	Rich Fowall [2]
14 Feb. 1553-4 ff.	bur. 12 Feb. 1557-8	Thos Borrowes [3]
25 May 1558	bur. 14 Dec. 1577	Wm Hay [4]

[18] Hadfield. Named on the authority of Jones; occurs 1622-3 as curate at Sheriff Hales.

[19] Beiston. On 24 Feb. 1645-6 Sir Walter Wrottesley was ordered to settle 15l. p.a. out of his tithes on the minister here. After 2 years' delay he did so. On 17 April 1649 Rich Cresswell of Marnhull was also ordered to settle a rent charge of 30l. on the same (Commonwealth, pp. 1056, 1060).

[20] Harrison. See Lichfield S. Mary's.

[21] Buxton. Admitted by the commissioners on the presentation of Oliver Cromwell and was in receipt of an augmentation of 73l. p.a. c. 1659 (Lamb. MSS. 904, p. 142; 905, p. 167; 906, p. 22). Calamy states that he was ejected. Three men of this name matric. at Camb. between 1623 and 1645 (Venn).

[22] Bayliss. As curate here certifies the number of hearths and himself paid on 3 in Tettenhall Regis; probably son of the late official at Wolverhampton.

[23] S. H. C., vi, n.s., pt. ii, p. 280.

[24] T. R. Mis. Bk. 258, p. 109.

[25] Fletcher. See Checkley.

[26] S. H. C., vi, n.s., pt. ii, p. 235.

[27] Ministers' Accounts, Eliz. 2015, and (x).

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In 1563 a rectory in Tamworth D.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 partly silt silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments with all that belong to them, 1 of silk; 1 of bustian; 2 lead crosses; 4 altar cloths; 5 towels; 2 sheets; 2 copes; 1 wood cross; 1 painted cross cloth; 4 banner cloths; 2 surplices; 2 hand bells; 1 sacring bell; 2 bells; 1 sanctus bell (2). Ch. wds.: Thos Walwin & John Ketel.

Patrons: 1321-1541 see S. H. C., 1911, pp. 94-96; x, n.s., p. 150; xi, p. 251; xii, p. 188, 1934, 1558 Sir Jas Fortescue of Walton, 1604 Burdett, 1620, 1651 Sir Thos Burdett bart, 1668 Wm Inge, then a minor.

RECTORS

occ. 1533	res. 1545		Edw Harlyng[1]
14 Dec. 1545	bur. 15 Nov. 1551		Rich Howell[2]
14 Feb. 1553-4	R. bur. 12 Feb. 1557-8		Thos Bottrowes
25 May 1558	bur. 14 Dec. 1577		Wm Hay[4]

7 Feb. 1577-8	bur. 28 Mar. 1620	Robt Ashton [5]
8 Aug. 1620	bur. 29 Oct. 1620	Hen Blundeston M.A. [6]
occ. 1620		Robt Speare
19 Mar. 1620-1	bur. 1 June 1668	Samuel Woolaston M.A. [7]
28 May 1668		Michael Hill M.A. [8]

CURATE

occ. 1533	Hugh Walker [9]

NOTES

[1] **Harlyng.** Paid tax of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1533.

[2] **Fowall,** Flowell. Will pr. 7 Nov. 1554; perhaps curate of Gratwich in 1533.

[3] **Borrowes,** Borowse. Instituted 28 Feb. 1553-4.

[4] **Hay,** Haig. Described as chaplain when instituted; also rector of Seckington, Warw. (*Stebbing Shaw*); subscribed 1559.

[5] **Ashton.** Scholaris ruralis, mediocriter doctus; no preacher, no degree (1602-4 *returns*); ordained by John, bp of London; instituted by Thos Bentham.

[6] **Blundeston.** *See* **Hanbury.**

[7] **Woolaston.** M.A. 1618 Trin. Coll. Ox., commoner from Northants (*Foster*); rector of Seckington, Warw., 1629-?; paid subsidy of 5*l.* in Jan. 1661-2.

[8] **Hill.** M.A. Trin. Coll. Camb.; ordained both deacon and priest 26 July 1663.

[9] **Walker.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as curate in 1533.

TIPTON

The church here is mentioned in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas (1291) as being in Lapley Deanery, but it is not mentioned in any of the surveys or returns made in the years 1533, 1535, 1563, 1593, 1602, 1604, or 1620. It was approp. to the preb. of Prees and in 1563 was probably subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 Bruges satin cope; 5 vestments, 1 of Bruges satin, 4 of saie; 3 amices; 3 albes; 3 towels; 3 altar cloths; 1 maslyn lamp; 2 brass candlesticks; 2 tin cruets; 1 brass censer; 3 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 1 " berynge " bell; 1 maslyn cross. **Ch. wds.:** Edw Nightingale & Wm Thorneton.

7 Feb. 1577-8	bur. 28 Mar. 1610	Robt Ashton [a]
8 Aug. 1620	bur. 29 Oct. 1620	Hen Blundeston M.A. [b]
occ. 1620		Robt Spearc
19 Mar. 1620-1	bur. 1 June 1668	Samuel Woolaston M.A. [c]
28 May 1668		Michael Hill M.A. [d]

CURATE

occ. 1533	Hugh Walker [e]

NOTES

[1] Harlyng. Paid tax of 6s. 8d. in 1533.

[2] Howall, Howell. Will pr. 7 Nov. 1554; perhaps curate of Gunwich in 1533.

[3] Borrowes, Browse. Instituted 28 Feb. 1533-4.

[4] Hay, Haig. Described as chaplain when instituted; also rector of Seckington, Warw. (Stebbing Shaw); subscribed 1559.

[a] Ashton. Scholaris curialis, medicinitor doctus; no preacher, no degree (1602-4 returns); ordained by John, bp of London; instituted by Thos Bentham.

[b] Blundeston. See Hanbury.

[c] Woolaston, M.A. 1618 Trin. Coll. Ox., commoner from Northants (Foster); rector of Seckington, Warw., 1620-7; paid subsidy of 5l. in Jan. 1661-2.

[d] Hill, M.A. Trin. Coll. Camb.; ordained both deacon and priest 26 July 1663.

[e] Walker. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. as curate in 1533.

TIFTON

The church here is mentioned in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas (1291) as being in Lapley Deanery, but it is not mentioned in any of the surveys or returns made in the years 1533, 1535, 1563, 1593, 1602, 1604, or 1620. It was appropr. to the preb. of Preas and in 1563 was probably subject to the peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 Bruges satin cope; 5 vestments, 1 of Bruges satin, 4 of sale; 3 amices; 3 albes; 3 towels; 3 altar cloths; 1 masslyn lamp; 2 brass candlesticks; 2 tin crucets; 1 brass censer; 3 bells; 1 sanctus bell; 1 "beryngge" bell; 1 masslyn cross. Ch. wdn. Edw Wightingale & Wm Thornton.

CURATES

occ. 1621-34		Robt Atkins [1]
occ. 1635		John Bisbie M.A.? [2]
Aug. 1648	occ. 1651-2	Lemuel Tuke [3]
occ. 1652	eject. 1662	Rich Hinckes [4]
occ. 1665		John Taylor [5]
22 June 1673		Michael Nickins [6]

NOTES

[1] **Atkins.** Mentioned in parish register; brought an action against Edw Dudley and others *re* Tipton rectorial tithes c. 1623. (*Chan. Proc.*, Bundle 330, No. 18.)

[2] **Bisbie.** Perhaps M.A. 1627 Queens' Coll. Camb.; preb. of Prees 1637-?; vicar of Edstaston, Salop; sequestered by parliament; died before 1660 (*Foster, Venn, Harwood*, p. 243).

[3] **Tuke.** Chosen minister by the inhabitants of Tipton (*Par. Reg.*).

[4] **Hinckes.** Assistant minister at Wolverhampton 1651, minister at Bilston chapel 1651, married here 29 Nov. Eliz. Clare; their children registered as born here till 1661; received an augmentation of 10*l.* from the trustees in 1656 (*Lamb. MS.* 972, pp. 532, 616; *Shaw*, II, p. 595); increased to 20*l.* by 1658 (*Lamb. MSS.* 981, p. 20; 994, p. 142); ejected 1662, but allowed to live on at the vicarage; two sons buried here 1664, 1665; died at Stourbridge (*Calamy*).

[5] **Taylor.** Mentioned by Calamy; signs register 1665.

[6] **Nickins.** Probably matriculated 1668 S. John's Coll. Ox., son of Michael Nickens of Shifnal (*Foster*). Chosen minister by the inhabitants here (*Par. Reg.*).

TIXALL

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 2 vestments; 1 cope; 2 surplices; 4 altar cloths; 1 towel; 3 napkins; 2 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 1 brass cross with cloth; 2 cruets; 2 corporals with 1 case; 1 little pillow. **Ch. wds.:** John Raven & John Bate.

Patrons: 1326-1457 (*S. H. C.*, 1911, p. 103; XI, pp 237, 244), 1558-1604 the Astons.

RECTORS

occ. 1533-5		Robt Locke [1]
27 Ap. 1548 ff.	res. 1557	Samson Burne

CURATES

occ. 1621-34		Robt Atkins [1]
occ. 1635		John Bisbie M.A.? [2]
Aug. 1648	occ. 1651-2	Lemuel Take [3]
occ. 1652	eject. 1662	Rich Hinckes [4]
occ. 1665		John Taylor [5]
22 June 1673		Michael Nickins [6]

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[3] **Take.** Chosen minister by the inhabitants of Tipton (Par. Reg.).

[4] **Hinckes.** Assistant minister at Wolverhampton 1651, minister at Halston chapel 1651; married here 29 Nov. Elis. Clare; their children registered as born here till 1661; received an augmentation of 10l. from the trustees in 1656 (Lamb. MS. 979, pp. 512, 516; Shaw, ii, p. 595); increased to 20l. by 1658 (Lamb. MS. 981, p. 20; 994, p. 142); ejected 1662, but allowed to live on at the vicarage; two sons buried here 1664, 1665; died at Stourbridge (Calamy).

[5] **Taylor.** Mentioned by Calamy; signs register 1665.

[6] **Nickins.** Probably matriculated 1668 S. John's Coll. Ox., son of Michael Nickens of Shilnal (Foster). Chosen minister by the inhabitants here (Par. Reg.).

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In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 2 vestments; 1 cope; 2 surplices; 4 altar cloths; 1 towel; 3 napkins; 2 bells (?); 1 sanctus bell; 1 brass cross with cloth; 2 crucis; 2 corporals with 1 case; 1 little pillow. **Ch. wds.:** John Raven & John Bate.

Patrons: 1326-1457 (S. H. C., 1911, p. 105; xi, pp. 237, 244), 1558-1604 the Astons.

RECTORS

occ. 1533-5	Robt Locke [1]
27 Ap. 1548 ff. res. 1557	Samson Burne

21 Mar. 1557-8	occ. 1559	Thos Sherrade [2]
20 Dec. 1586	occ. 1620	Ralph Smith [3]
13 Feb. 1632-3		Robt Jones M.A. [4]
12 Nov. 1639		Jeremy Morrell B.A.? [5]
4 Oct. 1645		Thos Harward B.A.? [6]
20 Dec. 1648	bur. 1 Aug. 1676	Daniel Bailey M.A.? [7]
4 Oct. 1676 ff.		Ralph Phillips [8]

CURATE

occ. 1666 Ralph Phillips [8]

NOTES

[1] **Locke,** Locker? Paid tax of 8*s*. in 1533.

[2] **Sherrade.** Described as chaplain when instituted, subscribed 1559.

[3] **Smith.** Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris exercitatus. No preacher, no degree, of loose life (1602-4 *returns*); ordained priest 21 Mar. 1584-5 by Wm Overton.

[4] **Jones.** Probably M.A. 1626 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[5] **Morrell.** Perhaps matriculated 1601 Magd. Hall, Ox., B.A. 1605, son of a Warwickshire clergyman (*Foster*); curate at Marchington 1620.

[6] **Harward.** Perhaps B.A. Caius Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[7] **Bailey.** *See* **Stafford S. Mary's.**

[8] **Phillips.** No degree, ordained deacon 25 Sep. 1664; as minister certified the number of hearths here c. 1665; paid himself on 4 hearths; became rector on death of Bailey.

TRENTHAM

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle D., formerly approp. to Trentham Priory.

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments with all things to them; 1 cope; 1 gilt copper cross; 2 small candlesticks; 1 maslyn pyx; 1 brass bucket; 6 altar cloths; 3 towels; 3 bells (*s*); 4 marks of money "in a stoke." **Ch. wds.:** Hugh Barlow & Thos Alkins.

CURATES

occ. 1533	Rich Palyn [1]
occ. 1559	Rich Hackeley [2]

21 Mar. 1557-8	occ. 1550	Thos Sherrade *
20 Dec. 1586	occ. 1620	Ralph Smith †
13 Feb. 1632-3		Robt Jones M.A. *
12 Nov. 1639		Jeremy Morrell B.A.? *
4 Oct. 1645		Thos Harward B.A.? *
20 Dec. 1648	bur. 1 Aug. 1656	Daniel Bailey M.A.? †
4 Oct. 1676 ‖		Ralph Phillips *

CURATE

occ. 1666	Ralph Phillips *

NOTES

* Locke, Lodcert Paid tax of 8s. in 1523.

* Sherrade. Described as chaplain when instituted, subscribed 1559.

* Smith. Scholaris rumbs, in sacris litteris exercitatus. No preacher, no degree, of Jesus Hall (1602-4 vacancy); ordained priest 21 Mar. 1584-5 by Wm Overton.

* Jones. Probably M.A. 1620 Trin. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

* Morrell. Perhaps matriculated Oriel Magd. Hall, Ox., B.A. 1605, son of a Warwickshire clergyman (Foster); counts at Marlington 1620.

* Harward. Perhaps B.A. Caius Coll. Camb. (Venn).

† Bailey. See Stafford S. Mary's.

* Phillips. No degree, ordained deacon 25 Sep. 1664; as minister certified the number of burials here 6. 1665; paid himself on 4 burials; became rector on death of Bailey.

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CURATES

occ. 1533	Rich Falyn †
occ. 1550	Rich Blackeley *

occ. 1569-73		Roger Reynolds M.A.? [3]
occ. 1593		John Cliffe [4]
occ. 1597-1604		John Bradwall [5]
occ. 1620-1630		Arthur Brathwaite [6]
occ. 1651-2		Michael Pollard [7]
10 Dec. 1656	bur. 27 Mar. 1667	Thos Adams B.A.? [8]
occ. 1677-82		John Etherington

CLERKS

The following are all described as "clerke" in the burial register. Probably they were all priests, but possibly only the parish clerks.

bur. 23 Ap. 1559	Thos Cagart
bur. 4 June 1560	John Brasnell
bur. 23 July 1571	Ralph Terricke [9]

BLURTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in any return before 1651-2. The chapel here is said to have been rebuilt in 1626. [10]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1632-37		John Hill
occ. 1649-52		Thos Adams B.A.? [8]
occ. 1662	bur. 6 Jan. 1694-5	Thos Aspinall M.A. [11]

NOTES

[1] **Palyn.** Described as magister and curate when he paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

[2] **Hackeley.** Mentioned in will of Rich Turner of Trentham pr. 1559.

[3] **Reynolds.** Described as curate of the parish church of Trentham in 1568 (will of Thos Elkin pr. 1569); rector of Stoke (q.v.) 1575-1602?.

[4] **Cliffe.** Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris versatus.

[5] **Bradwall.** No preacher, no degree, salary 8*l.* (1602 *return*); preacher, salary 10*l.* (1604 *return*).

[6] **Brathwaite.** Probably matriculated 1620-1 Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[7] **Pollard.** One of this name B.A. 1630 Ch. Ch. Ox., rector of Doddington 1659, of Holford 1663-7, both in co. Somerset (*Foster*). Another M.A. 1600 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). On 1 Oct. 1646 the commissioners for compositions with delinquents settled 90*l.* p.a.

occ. 1569-73		Roger Reynolds M.A.,[1] *
occ. 1593		John Cliffe [2]
occ. 1597-1604		John Bradwall [3]
occ. 1620-1630		Arthur Brathwaite [4]
occ. 1631-2		Michael Pollard [5]
10 Dec. 1636	bur. 27 Mar. 1667	Thos Adams B.A.,[6] *
occ. 1672-82		John Etherington

CLERKS

The following are all described as "clerks" in the burial register. Probably they were all priests, but possibly only the parish clerks.

bur. 23 Ap. 1580	Thos Cogan
bur. 4 June 1580	John Brasnell
bur. 23 July 1572	Ralph Terricke [7]

BURTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in any return before 1631-2. The chapel here is said to have been rebuilt in 1636.[8]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1632-37		John Hill
occ. 1640-52		Thos Adams B.A.,[6] *
occ. 1662	bur. 6 Jan. 1664-5	Thos Aynsall M.A.,[11]

NOTES

[1] Palyn. Described as magister and curate when he paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1533.

[2] Hackeley. Mentioned in will of Rich. Turner of Trentham pr. 1559.

[3] Reynolds. Described as curate of the parish church of Trentham in 1568 (will of Thos Elkin pr. 1569); rector of Stoke (q. v.) 1575-1602.

[4] Cliffe. Scholaris rusticus, in sacris litteris versatus.

[5] Bradwall. No preacher, no degree, salary 8l. (1601 return); preacher, salary 10l. (1604 return).

[6] Brathwaite. Probably matriculated 1620-1 Emman. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[7] Pollard. One of this name B.A. 1630 Ch. Ch. Ox., rector of Dodington 1639, of Holford 1663-7, both in co. Somerset (Foster). Another M.A. 1600 S. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn). On 1 Dec. 1640 the commissioners for compositions with delinquents settled 90l. p.a.

upon the minister here out of the estate of Sir Rich Leveson of Trentham (*Shaw*, II, p. 481).

[8] **Adams.** Probably ordained deacon as B.A. by Morton 20 Sep. 1628. Six of this name matriculated at Camb. between 1597 and 1629 (*Venn*). Curate at Rushton chapel in 1639, at Blurton chapel c. 1649-52, at Trentham 1656-67; certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry c. 1658-9 (*Lamb. MS.* 999); paid subsidy of 1*l.* in Jan. 1661-2; will pr. 12 June 1667. On 11 June 1649 the inhabitants of Blurton, Newstead and the chapelry of Cocknage begged that he might have 30*l.* p.a. out of the tithes of Trentham, sequestered from Sir Rich Leveson (*Compounding*, pp. 3264-5). Circa 1659 Adams was in receipt of the aforementioned augmentation of 90*l.* (*Lamb. MSS.* 981, p. 22; 994, p. 142).

[9] **Terricke.** *See* **Stoke,** *note* 56.

[10] *Hutchinson.*

[11] **Aspinall.** Matriculated 1650 Brasenose Coll. Ox., M.A. 1659; married 23 May 1662 at Maer Maria Foden; ordained both deacon and priest 21 Aug. 1662, so probably had acted as minister here or elsewhere during the Interregnum.

TUTBURY

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D., formerly approp. to Tutbury Priory.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 red silk cope; 3 vestments, 1 of red silk, 1 of green saie, 1 of white saie; 3 albes; 3 amices; 1 wood cross; 2 brass candlesticks; 1 lead water stock; 3 altar cloths; 3 bells (*s*); 1 hand bell; 1 sacring bell. **Ch. wds.:** Hen Hill & Thos Sawtre.

In 1604 there were some popish here.

Patron: the Crown.

VICARS

occ. 1533	w.p. 20 Ap. 1543	Thurston Cartmall [1]
11 May 1543	res. 1544	Arthur Meverell [2]
8 Sep. 1544	occ. Sep. 1561	Wm Elde [3]
	depr. 1570	Edmund Barber [4]
25 May 1570		Edward Sandes [5]
27 Sep. 1575		Robt Briddock [6]
16 Oct. 1581	occ. 1593	Thos Bidolph M.A. [7]
14 Jan. 1594-5	w.p. 26 Jan. 1626-7	Thos Neale B.A. [8]

upon the minister here out of the estate of Sir Rich Levesons of Trentham (*Stew*, II, p. 48).

* **Adams.** Probably ordained deacon as B.A. by Morton 20 Sep. 1628. Six of this name matriculated at Cantb. between 1597 and 1602 (*Venn*). Curate at Rushton chapel in 1630, at Bluton chapel c. 1640-52, at Trentham 1656-67; certified the names of candidates for the ministry c. 1658-9 (*Lamb. MS.* 909); paid subsidy of 1*l.* in Jan. 1661-2; will pr. 12 June 1667. On 11 June 1640 the inhabitants of Bluton, Newstead and the chapelry of Cockings begged that he might have 30*l.* p.a. out of the tithes of Trentham, sequestered from Sir Rich Leveson (*Campbell*, pp. 305-6). Circa 1650 Adams was in receipt of the aforementioned augmentation of 40*l.* (*Lamb. MS.* 98: p. 22; 994, p. 142).

[9] Tertiche. See Stoke, note 56.

[10] Hutchinson.

[11] **Aspinall.** Matriculated 1650 Brasenose Coll., Ox., M.A. 1659; married 23 May 1662 at Mucr Maria Foden; ordained both deacon and priest 21 Aug. 1662, so probably had acted as minister here or elsewhere during the interregnum.

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In 1604 there were some popish here.

Patron: the Crown.

VICARS

occ. 1533	w.p. 20 Ap. 1543	Thurston Cartmell[1]
11 May 1543	res. 1544	Arthur Moverell*
8 Sep. 1544	occ. Sep. 1561	Wm Eld*
	depr. 1570	Edmund Barber*
25 May 1570		Edward Sandes*
27 Sep. 1575		Robt Swinbiock*
16 Oct. 1581	occ. 1593	Thos Rudolph M.A.*
14 Jan. 1594-5	w.p. 20 Jan. 1626-7	Thos Nevile B.A.*

31 Oct. 1626	ob. 18 Ap. 1655	Anthony Horridge B.A.[9]
occ. 1666	res. 1670	John Smith[10]

PRIESTS

occ. 1533	Elizeus Brodebent
occ. 1559	John Hanley[11]

CASTLE CHAPEL

Reported in 1546 that the King's free chapel within the castle of Tutbury was not then certified because no man came to make an appearance therefor, but that it was valued in the Tenths book at 5*l.* (*a*). In the reigns of Mary and Elizabeth its possessions brought in about 54*s.* to the Crown.[12]

CHAPLAINS

occ. 1535	Thurstan Courtnay[1]
occ. 1548	Edw Hornyhold[13]

NOTES

[1] **Cartmall,** Curtnall, Courtnay. As vicar paid tax of 3*s.* 4*d.* in 1533; received a pension of 5*l.* on the dissolution of Tutbury priory (*Hibbert*, p. 128); also incumbent of the Castle Chapel here in 1535 (*Valor*).

[2] **Meverell,** *alias* Throwley. The last prior of Tutbury (*Hibbert*, pp. 125, 126, 145, 167, 191).

[3] **Elde.** Received a salary from the Exchequer of 110*s.* until 1561 (*Ministers' Accounts, Eliz.* 2015-18); subscribed 1559; did not pay subsidies due 25 Mar. 1558 and Christmas 1559 (19-506, 507).

[4] **Barber.** Subscribed 1559, deprived 1570 (*Dioc. Reg.*).

[5] **Sandes,** Saundes.

[6] **Briddock,** Byddocke.

[7] **Bidolph** (Biddulph). M.A., in sacris litteris bene exercitatus; ordained by Thos Bentham. Probably as Bedell matriculated at Cambridge either in 1564 Jesus Coll. or 1567 at King's Coll. (*Venn*).

[8] **Neale.** *See* **Bradeley by Stafford.**

[9] **Horridge** or Haridge.

[10] **Smith.** One of this name from New Coll. Ox. was ordained deacon on 26 July 1663. Another from King's Coll. Camb. on 25 Sep. 1664. *See* **Grindon** and **Draycott-in-the-moors.**

[11] **Hanley.** A priest of this name occupied a house here in 1559 (*Ministers' Accounts, Eliz.* 2015).

31 Oct. 1640	ob. 18 Ap. 1655	Anthony Herridge B.A.[9]
occ. 1660	res. 1670	John Smith[10]

PRIESTS

occ. 1533	Elizeus Bradebent
occ. 1550	John Hanley[11]

CASTLE CHAPEL

Reported in 1546 that the King's free chapel within the castle of Tutbury was not then certified because no man came to make an appearance therefor, but that it was valued in the Tenths book at £4. (a). In the reigns of Mary and Elizabeth its possessions brought in about £42. to the Crown.[12]

CHAPLAINS

occ. 1533	Thurstan Courtnay[1]
occ. 1548	Edw Hornyhold[2]

NOTES

[1] Courtnall, Curtnall, Courtnay. As vicar paid tax of 2s. 4d. in 1533; received a pension of £4. on the dissolution of Tutbury priory (Hibbert, p. 128); also incumbent of the Castle Chapel here in 1535 (Valor).

[2] Meverell, alias Throwley. The last prior of Tutbury (Hibbert, pp. 125, 126, 145, 167, 191).

[3] Elde. Received a salary from the Exchequer of 10s. until 1561 (Ministers' Accounts, Hilt. 2015-18); subscribed 1559; did not pay subsidies due 25 Mar. 1558 and Christmas 1559 (10. 606, 507).

[4] Barber. Subscribed 1559, deprived 1564 (Inc. Ag.).

[5] Sandes, Saundes.

[6] Bridock, Byldocke.

[7] Bidolph (Biddulph). M.A., in sacris litteris bene experientiis; ordained by Thos Bentham. Probably as Bedell matriculated at Cambridge either in 1564 Jesus Coll. or 1567 at King's Coll. (Fasti).

[8] Neale. See Bradeley by Stafford.

[9] Herridge or Harridge.

[10] Smith. One of this name from New Coll. Ox. was ordained deacon on 26 July 1663. Another from King's Coll. Camb. on 23 Sep. 1664. See Grindon and Draycott-in-the-moors.

[11] Hanley. A priest of this name occupied a house here in 1550 (Ministers' Accounts, Hilt. 2015).

[12] *Accounts*, 6829, 6833.

[13] **Hornyhold.** Granted a pension of 6*l.* for life on 10 Sep. 1548, which he was still receiving in 1563 (*Accounts*, 6829-36).

UTTOXETER

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels in Leek D., the rectory being appropriated to the warden and college of the King's free chapel at Windsor.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 gilt copper cross and staff with a copper foot; 3 vestments; 3 albes; 3 amices; 3 fans; 3 stoles; 2 suites of old vestments; 5 copes, 4 of them being old ones of silk; 1 red and blue velvet pall; 1 blue velvet corporal case; 1 copper pyx with a red silk case; 3 altar cloths; 1 veil; 3 houseling towels; 1 brass holy-water stock; 1 tin cruet; 4 old silk tunacles; 1 pair of organs; 4 great bells (*s*), one of them being a clock bell; 1 sanctus bell; 3 silk pillows.

The following items had been sold, viz.:—1 partly gilt silver cross, weighing 42 oz. at 4*s.* 8*d.* per oz., for 9*l.* 16*s.* 0*d.*; 2 silver censers for 9*l.* 16*s.* 0*d.*; 1 partly gilt silver chalice, "of the church still," for 2*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*; 2 brazen candlesticks for an amount unknown. There had been stolen 1 ship, supposed to be silver. **Ch. wds.:** Hum Kinston, Lewes Walker & John Tayllor.

In 1604 there were some recusants here.

VICARS

	w.p. 29 Oct. 1533	Thos Smith [1]
occ. 1535	ob. 1538	Wm Tull
22 Feb. 1538-9	res. 1546	Wm Brymley [2]
1 June 1546		Thos Aynsworth [3]
15 June 1554	res. 1557	Nich Harwar M.A. [4]
15 June 1557	res. 1559	Geo Hilton [5]
	at Xmas 1559	no vicar [6]
7 Mar. 1561-2	depr. 1566	Arthur Blunt [7]
16 May 1566	bur. Mar. 1616-7	Thos Barnes [8]
26 Mar. 1617	bur. 2 July 1653	Thos Lightfoot [9]
1653	res. 1658	Laurence Dawson M.A. [10]
31 Mar. 1658	res. 29 Oct. 1682	Michael Edge M.A.? [11]
23 Dec. 1682		Rich Jackson

[12] *Accounts*, 0829, 0833.

[13] **Hornyhold.** Granted a pension of 6*l.* for life on 10 Sep. 1548, which he was still receiving in 1563 (*Accounts*, 0820-30).

LITTOXETER

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels in Lich. D., the rectory being appropriated to the warden and college of the King's free chapel at Windsor.

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 gilt silver chalice with paten; 1 gilt copper cross and staff with a copper foot; 3 vestments; 3 albes; 3 amices; 3 fans; 3 stoles; 2 suits of old vestments; 3 copes, 4 of them being old ones of silk; 1 red and blue velvet pall; 1 blue velvet corporal case; 1 copper pyx with a red silk case; 3 altar cloths; 1 veil; 3 linen towels; 1 brass holy-water stock; 1 tin cruet; 4 old silk tunicles; 1 pair of organs; 4 great bells (s), one of them being a clock bell; 1 sanctus bell; 3 silk pillows.

The following items had been sold, viz.:—1 partly gilt silver cross, weighing 42 oz. at 4*s.* 8*d.* per oz., for 9*l.* 16*s.* 0*d.*; 2 silver censers for 6*l.* 16*s.* 0*d.*; 1 partly gilt silver chalice "of the church still," for 2*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*; 2 brazen candlesticks for an amount unknown. There had been stolen 1 ship, supposed to be silver. Ch. wdn.: Hum Kinston, Lewis Walker & John Taylor.

In 1601 there were some recusants here.

VICARS

	w.p. 29 Oct. 1533	Thos Smith[1]
occ. 1535	ob. 1538	Wal Tull
22 Feb. 1538-9	res. 1540	Wm Brymley[2]
1 June 1540		Thos Aynsworth[3]
15 June 1554	res. 1557	Nich Harway M.A.[4]
15 June 1557	res. 1559	Geo Elliton[5]
	at Xmas 1559	no vicar[6]
7 Mar. 1561-2	depr. 1566	Arthur Elliott[7]
10 May 1566	bur. Mar. 1616-7	Thos Barnes[8]
30 Mar. 1617	bur. 2 July 1653	Thos Lightfoot[9]
1653	res. 1658	Laurence Dawson M.A.[10]
31 Mar. 1658	res. 29 Oct. 1682	Michael Edge M.A.[11]
23 Dec. 1682		Rich Jackson

CURATES

occ. 1533	Wm Fremde [12]
occ. 1602-4	Robt Luther M.A. [13]
occ. 1648	Joseph Heming [14]
occ. 1651-2	Laurence Dawson M.A. [10]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1546 that this had been founded by Wm Kynnersley, Wm Hunt & Hen Heth to find a priest to sing mass at the altar of our Lady within the parish church; that it possessed no plate or jewels, but had some other goods and a priest's dwelling house worth 6*s.* 8*d.* "to be letten at"; that its income was 11*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.*, which was thus expended, viz.:—on the priest's salary 10*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.*, on the tenths 11*s.* 11*d.*, on the repair of Dove bridge 2*s.* and on the poor 2*s.* (*a*). [15]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5		Edward Careless [16]
1 Dec. 1543	occ. 1548	Rich Wayne [17]

THE TRINITY CHANTRY

Reported in 1546 that this had been founded by Thos Kynnersley and Emote Stanlowe (Stanley) to find a priest to sing mass at the altar of the Holy Trinity within the parish church; that it possessed 7 oz. of gilt plate and other goods; also a house that the priest doth inhabit worth 5*s.* p.a.; and that its income was 9*l.* 13*s.* 3*d.*, which was thus expended, viz.:—on the priest's salary 8*l.* 7*s.* 0½*d.*, on the tenth 0*l.* 10*s.* 6½*d.*, on an obit 6*s.* 8*d.* and on the repair of Dove bridge 3*s.* (*a*). In 1560 9*l.* 8*s.* 3*d.* was recovered by the Crown for this property. [18] A licence for them to found this chantry was granted 1 Dec. 1523 (*Pat. Rolls*).

CHAPLAIN

occ. 1533	w.p. 11 Oct. 1555	John Bee [19]

CRAKEMARSH CHAPEL

Not mentioned in any return subsequent to that of 1533, which states that there was a curate then here.

CURATES

occ. 1533	Wm Frende [11]
occ. 1602-4	Robt Luther M.A. [12]
occ. 1648	Joseph Heming [13]
occ. 1651-2	Laurence Dawson M.A. [14]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1546 that this had been founded by Wm Kynnersley, Wm Hunt & Hen Heth to find a priest to sing mass at the altar of our Lady within the parish church; that it possessed no plate or jewels, but had some other goods and a priest's dwelling house worth 5s. 8d. "to be letten at"; that its income was 11l. 12s. 6d., which was thus expended, viz.:—on the priest's salary 10l. 13s. 6d., on the tenths 12s. 11d., on the repair of Dove bridge 2s. and on the poor 2s. (a). [15]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5 Edward Carless [16]
1 Dec. 1543 occ. 1548 Rich Wayne [17]

THE TRINITY CHANTRY

Reported in 1546 that this had been founded by Thos Kynnersley and Emote Stanlowe (Stanley) to find a priest to sing mass at the altar of the Holy Trinity within the parish church; that it possessed 7 oz. of gilt plate and other goods; also a house that the priest doth inhabit worth 5s. p.a.; and that its income was 9l. 12s. 3d., which was thus expended, viz.:—on the priest's salary 8l. 7s. 9½d., on the tenth 6l. 10s. 11½d., on an obit 6s. 8d. and on the repair of Dove bridge 3s. (a). In 1560 9l. 8s. 3d. was recovered by the Crown for this property. [18] A licence for them to found this chantry was granted 1 Dec. 1523 (Pat. Rolls).

CHAPLAIN

occ. 1533 w.p. 11 Oct. 1555 John Bee [19]

CRAKEMARSH CHAPEL

Not mentioned in any return subsequent to that of 1533, which states that there was a curate then here.

CURATE

occ. 1533 Hugh Perkyn [20]

LOXLEY CHAPEL

Not mentioned in any return subsequent to that of 1533, which states that there was a curate then here.

CURATE

occ. 1533 William (*illegible*) [20]

NOTES

[1] **Smith.** Paid 8*s.* 10½*d.* tax in 1533.

[2] **Brymley,** Bryneley. *See* **Lichfield,** *note* 36.

[3] **Aynsworth,** Eynesworth. Possibly resigned the living on the accession of Mary, as one of this name, described as "clerk," was dealing with Uttoxeter property in 1567. (*S. H. C.*, XIII, p. 262.)

[4] **Harwar.** *See* **Audley.**

[5] **Hilton.** Subscribed in 1559.

[6] *Subsidies* 19-507, 19-508.

[7] **Blunt.** Instituted on the resignation of the last vicar. Perhaps matriculated 1550 Pemb. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[8] **Barnes.** Did not appear for examination in 1593; no preacher, no degree, ignorant and scandalous (1602-4 *returns*). Vicarage worth 30*l.* in 1604.

[9] **Lightfoot.** Born c. 1578; ordained c. 1602, curate of Stoke 1602-6?; a preacher, no degree (1602-4 *returns*); married Elizabeth Bagnall (she died 24 Jan. 1636-7); father of Dr John Lightfoot, the well-known rector of Ashley (*Redfern's Uttoxeter*, pp. 257 *et seq.*); signed testimony 1648. On 10 Sep. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted to him the yearly rent of 25*l.* reserved to the dean and chapter of Windsor out of this impropriate rectory as this vicarage was only worth 30*l.* p.a. This order was confirmed by the committee for the reformation of the universities and the rent was paid him until his death (*Bod. MSS.* 323, p. 357; 327, p. 477; 328, p. 150; *Sion MS.*, p. 494; *S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. ii, p. 530; *Lamb. MSS.* 976, p. 330; 978, p. 621).

[10] **Dawson.** *See* **Bramshall.**

[11] **Edge.** Probably M.A. 1658 Clare Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Nominated to this vicarage by the trustees, admitted by the commissioners 31 Mar. 1658 (*Lamb. MS.* 999, p. 3), married 5 July 1659 Jane Pierce, certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1658-9 (*Lamb. MS.* 999); paid subsidy of 10*s.* in Jan. 1661-2, resigned this vicarage to accept that of Yoxall; died at Yoxall 1683. On 13 July

1658 the trustees granted him an augmentation of 70*l.* out of these (rectorial) tithes as the vicarage was not worth more than 20*l.* (*Lamb. MSS.* 995, p. 246, cf. p. 507; cf. 994, p. 142.) In Oct. 1659 the trustees increased this augmentation by 13*l.* in accordance with the instructions of the committee for plundered ministers, out of the (rectorial) tithes here, which were worth 83*l.* p.a. (*Lamb. MS.* 987, p. 287.)

[12] **Fremde.** As curate paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

[13] **Luther.** M.A., preacher (1602 *return*), schoolmaster, preached here every other Sabbath day (1604 *return*). Probably of Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[14] **Heming.** *See* **Rolleston.**

[15] *Accounts*, 6795 *et seq.*, where its income is given as 11*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.*

[16] **Careless.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533. Preb. of Marston 1544.

[17] **Wayne.** Granted a pension of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* on 10 Sep. 1548 (*D. of Lanc. Mis. Bk.* 135, p. 112), which was paid till his death c. 1557-9 (*Accounts*, 6829, 6833). *See* **Alstonefield.**

[18] *Accounts*, 6833 *et seq.*

[19] **Bee.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533; no pension appears to have been assigned to him; described in his will dated 10 Ap. 1555 as late chantry priest of the Blessed Trinity in Uttoxeter.

[20] **Perkyn.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533, as also did the curate of Loxley.

WALSALL

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels (*sic*), in Tamworth D., formerly approp. to the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 3 white "branched" damask copes with 3 white silk vestments & albes for priest, deacon & subdeacon; 3 crimson silk copes, vestments & albes for the same; 1 red fustian cope, vestment & albe; 1 white satin vestment & albe; 1 dornick vestment of divers colours; 3 altar fronts; 3 altar cloths; 2 corporals; 2 banner cloths; 2 lead cruets; 1 gilt copper cross; 1 tin pax; 2 brass candlesticks; 1 sacring bell; 1 sanctus bell; 4 bells (*s*).

The fifth bell had been "solde to the amendement of divers brydges & hygh ways abowte ther towne whiche wer verey noysome to the Kynges people passinge that way."

Rich Forsett, the King's surveyor, had all the rest of the

ornaments, plate & jewels belonging to the church. **Ch. wds.:** John Dawson & Wm Gorway.

In 1604 there were many recusants here.

VICARS

11 May 1499		Wm Taylor
occ. 1533	(res. 1568?)	John Turner [1]
(12 July 1568		Wm Smythe)? [2]
12 Nov. 1569	res. 1574	Robt Weston M.A. [3]
12 Mar. 1574-5	bur. 19 Feb. 1608-9	Robt Wilson [4]
9 Mar. 1608-9	bur. 26 Nov. 1615	Wm Thorneton M.A.? [5]
6 Feb. 1615-6	bur. 23 Oct. 1638	Hen Green M.A.? [6]
16 Feb. 1638-9		Rich Hunt B.D. [7]
19 Mar. 1643-4 ff.	ob. 30 Ap. 1662	Thos Byrdall M.A. [8]
10 Oct. 1662	ob. 18 Ap. 1687	Rich Bourne M.A. [9]
11 May 1687		Thos Dickin B.A. [10]

CURATES

occ. 1533		Robt Baslowe [11]
	res. 1543	Rich Gorste [12]
20 July 1548	occ. 1553	Thos Dobson [13]
occ. 1559		Robt Watson? [14]
occ. 1604		— Sclater [15]
occ. 1610		Jas Colleys M.A. [16]
occ. 1648		Francis Stone [17]

THE CHANTRIES

Certified in 1546 and 1548 that ten priest's services or chantries had been founded within this parish church; five of these priests sang their daily mass at the altar of S. John the Baptist, two at the altar of Our Lady, two at the altar of Our Lady-under-the-rood and one at an unspecified altar. The following table gives particulars of the net income of each chantry in 1548 and c. 1550, any plate or goods which belonged to it in 1548 (*b*), the name of the founder, date of its foundation, the salary paid to its incumbent in 1548 (*c*), the pensions granted to the incumbents on 20 June 1548 by the commissioners (*p*) and if these pensions were still being paid in the reign of Elizabeth (*q*).

ornaments, plate & jewels belonging to the church. Ch. wds.: John Dawson & Wm Gorway.

In 1604 there were many recusants here.

VICARS

11 May 1499		Wm Taylor
occ. 1533	(res. 1568?)	John Turner [1]
(12 July 1568		Wm Smythe)?*
12 Nov. 1569	res. 1574	Robt Weston M.A.*
12 Mar. 1574-5	bur. 10 Feb. 1608-9	Robt Wilson*
9 Mar. 1608-9	bur. 20 Nov. 1615	Wm Thornton M.A.?*
9 Feb. 1615-6	bur. 24 Oct. 1638	Hen Green M.A.?*
10 Feb. 1638-9		Rich Hunt B.D.?
19 Mar. 1641-4 ff.	ob. 30 Ap. 1662	Thos Rydall M.A.*
10 Oct. 1662	ob. 18 Ap. 1687	Rich Bourne M.A.*
11 May 1687		Thos Deakin B.A.[1]*

CURATES

occ. 1533		Robt Baslowe [1]
	res. 1543	Rich Goode [1]*
20 July 1548	occ. 1553	Thos Dobson [1]*
occ. 1559		Robt Warson? [1]*
occ. 1604		— Sclater [1]*
occ. 1610		Jas Colley M.A. [1]*
occ. 1648		Francis Stone [1]*

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The tax paid by each of these chantry priests in 1533 was 6*s.* 2½*d.*

AT THE ALTAR OF S. JOHN THE BAPTIST

1. Founded by the mayor and burgesses of Walsall (*a, b*); income 6*l.* 14*s.* 11*d.* (*b, c*), 6*l.* 13*s.* 3*d.* (*r*); no plate or goods; salary 6*l.* 7*s.* 9¼*d.* (*c*); pension 5*l.* (*p*).[18, 21]

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48 Thos Smith

2. Founded by Sir Edward (*a, r*) or Sir Thomas (*b*) Aston kt. the elder; *temp.* Hen IV (*b*); income 8*l.* 16*s.* 10½*d.* (*b, c*), 8*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.* (*r*); no plate or goods (*b*); salary 8*l.* 9*s.* 5*d.* (*c*); pension 6*l.* (*p, q*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	res. 1541	Peter Clayton
4 June 1541 ff.	occ. 1548	Sampson Bourne

3. Founded by Sir Thomas Aston kt. the younger (*a, b*); *temp.* Rich II (*b*)[23]; income 8*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.* (*b*), 8*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.* (*c*), 9*l.* 5*s.* 10½*d.* (*r*); 10 oz. of partly gilt plate, ornaments worth 8*s.* 8*d.* (*b*); salary 7*l.* 19*s.* 6½*d.* (*c*); pension 6*l.* (*p, q*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48 Wm Ridware[24]

4. Founded by Wm Spernor clerk (*a, b, r*); *temp.* Hen VI (*b*); income 9*l.* 17*s.* 3*d.* (*b, c, r*); no plate or goods (*b*); salary 9*l.* 3*s.* 10*d.* (*c*); pension 6*l.* (*p*).[21]

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48 Wm Starysmore[25]

5. Founded by John de Bentley and Wm Colleston *temp.* Edw I, augmented by Thomas Beaumont esq. and Henry Vernon esq. (*b*); income 10*l.* 11*s.* 0½*d.* (*b, c*), 10*l.* 13*s.* 2½*d.* (*r*); no plate or goods (*b*); salary 8*l.* 14*s.* 8½*d.* (*c*); pension 6*l.* (*p*).[21, 22]

The tax paid by each of these chantry priests in 1533 was 6s. 2½d.

AT THE ALTAR OF S. JOHN THE BAPTIST

1. Founded by the mayor and burgesses of Walsall (a, b); income 6l. 14s. 11d. (b, c), 6l. 13s. 3d. (c); no plate or goods; salary 6l. 7s. 9½d. (c); pension 5l. (f). [14, 21]

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48 — Thos Smith

2. Founded by Sir Edward (a, x) or Sir Thomas (b) Aston kt. the elder; temp. Hen IV (b); income 8l. 17s. 10½d. (b, c), 8l. 5s. 2d. (y); no plate or goods (b); salary 8l. 9s. 5d. (c); pension 6l. (b, q).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533 — res. 1541 — Peter Clayton
4 June 1541 — occ. 1548 — Sampson Dourne

3. Founded by Sir Thomas Aston kt. the younger (a, b); temp. Rich II (b) [22]; income 8l. 5s. 2d. (b), 8l. 7s. 2d. (c), 9l. 5s. 10½d. (y); 10 oz. of partly gilt plate, ornaments worth 5s. 8d. (b); salary 7l. 19s. 6½d. (c); pension 6l. (b, q).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48 — Wm Ridware [24]

4. Founded by Wm Spencer cleth (a, b, y); temp. Hen VI (b); income 9l. 17s. 3d. (b, c, y); no plate or goods (b); salary 9l. 3s. 10d. (c); pension 6l. (b). [21]

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533-48 — Wm Starysmore [24]

5. Founded by John de Bentley and Wm Colleston temp. Edw I, augmented by Thomas Beaumont esq. and Henry Vernon esq. (b); income 10l. 11s. 9½d. (b, c), 10l. 13s. 4½d. (y); no plate or goods (b); salary 8l. 14s. 8½d. (c); pension 6l. (b). [21, 22]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	w.p. 23 Jan. 1543-4	Robt Dore [26]
7 Feb. 1543-4	occ. 1548	Thos Dobson [13]

AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY

1. Founded by Sir Roger Hillary kt. (*a, b, r*); *temp.* Rich II (*b*); income 8*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.* (*c*), 7*l.* 3*s.* 11*d.* (*r*); 5 oz. of partly gilt plate, ornaments worth 3*s.* 9*d.*, jointly belonging to this and the next chantry (*b*); salary 7*l.* 19*s.* 6½*d.* (*c*); pension 5*l.* (*p*). [20, 21]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5	Thos Brodbotham
occ. 1548	Rich Bradeley [27]

2. Founded by Sir Roger Hillary kt. (*a, b, r*); *temp.* Rich II (*b*); income 6*l.* 5*s.* 5*d.* (*b, c*), 5*l.* 17*s.* 3*d.* (*r*); salary 5*l.* 17*s.* 1*d.* (*c*); pension 5*l.* (*p*). [20, 21]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5	Thos Fleming
occ. 1548	Robt Parker

AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY-UNDER-THE-ROOD [28]

1. Founded by John Flaxall (*a, b, r*); *temp.* Edw IV (*b*); income 8*l.* 13*s.* 0*d.* (*b, c, r*); no plate or goods (*b*); salary 8*l.* 3*s.* 0*d.* (*c*); pension 6*l.* (*p, q*):

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5		Roger Bobett
19 Dec. 1542 ff.	occ. 1548	Edw Hill [29]

2. Founded by Thomas Molseley (*b, c*) [30]; *temp.* Hen VI (*b*); income 6*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.* (*b, c*); 6 oz. of white plate, ornaments worth 4*s.* (*b*); salary 6*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* (*c*); pension 5*l.* (*p*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5		Hen Hygges
27 Jan. 1546-7	occ. 1548	Thos Bourne [31]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533 w.p. 23 Jan. 1543-4 Robt Dove[22]
7 Feb. 1543-4 occ. 1548 Thos Dobson[11]

AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY

1. Founded by Sir Roger Hillary kt. (a, b, c); temp. Rich II (b); income 8l. 7s. 2d. (c), 7l. 3s. 11d. (c); 5 oz. of partly gilt plate, ornaments worth 3s. 9d., jointly belonging to this and the next chantry (b); salary 7l. 10s. 6d. (c); pension 5l. (b).[22, 11]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5 Thos Brodbelhan
occ. 1548 Rich Bradeley[27]

2. Founded by Sir Roger Hillary kt. (a, b, c); temp. Rich II (b); income 6l. 5s. 5d. (b, c), 5l. 17s. 3d. (c); salary 5l. 17s. 1d. (c); pension 5l. (b).[22, 11]

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5 Thos Fleming
occ. 1548 Robt Parker

AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY-UNDER-THE-ROOD[22]

1. Founded by John Flaxall (a, b, c); temp. Edw IV (b); income 8l. 13s. 0d. (b, c, x); no plate or goods (b); salary 8l. 3s. 0d. (c); pension 6l. (b, c).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5 Roger Hobett
19 Dec. 1542 fl. occ. 1548 Edw Hill[22]

2. Founded by Thomas Molesley (b, c)[22]; temp. Hen VI (b); income 6l. 17s. 4d. (b, c); 6 oz. of white plate, ornaments worth 4s. (b); salary 6l. 3s. 4d. (c); pension 5l. (b).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-5 Hen Hygens
27 Jan. 1540-7 occ. 1548 Thos Bourne[11]

AT AN UNNAMED ALTAR

Founded by the wardens, brethren and sisters of the fraternity or guild of S. John the Baptist of Walsall *temp.* Hen VIII (*b*); income 1*l.* 14*s.* 3*d.* (*b, c, r*); no plate or goods (*b*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	res. 1535	Thos Bourne[31]
in 1548		no incumbent (*c*)

OBITS

Certified in 1548 that the following Obits had been founded here (*b, c, r*).

Name of Founder	Net yearly value.		Whereof to the poor.	
	s. d.	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*
Wm Tompson pst[19]	5 5		2 4	
Robt Kellett pst	13 4		9 0	
Robt Brasyer	4 0		2 0	
Robt Whirrott or from his lands	5 0		3 0	
John Bowdock	4 0		2 0	
Rich and Wm Marshall psts[19]	3 4		1 8	or 1 10
Hen Wynde pst[19]	3 6	or 4 0	2 0	
Thos Lyversage pst	3 8		2 0	
John Canwall	3 4	or 3 3	1 8	or 1 10
Nich Flaxall[19]	7 0	or 8 0	5 0	
Roger Spurrer pst[19]	4 10	or 5 2	2 10	
Edw Canwall[19]	17 0	or20 0	14 0	
John Taylor[20]	9 4		7 8	
Eliz Hunt wid gave 2 kine worth	26 4			

BLOXWICH CHAPEL OR CHANTRY[20]

Not mentioned in the 1563 return. Certified in 1546 (*a*) that the chantry of S. Thomas the Martyr had been founded by Sir Roger Hyllary kt., to find a priest to sing divine service in the chapel of Bloxwich, which was 1½ miles distant from the parish church, that its net income was 6*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*, of which 5*l.* 7*s.* 6½*d.* was the priest's salary, 10*s.* the king's tenths, 7*s.* 4*d.* the rector's tenths, 5*s.* 8½*d.* the rents resolute.

AT AN UNNAMED ALTAR

Founded by the wardens, brethren and sisters of the fraternity or guild of S. John the Baptist of Walsall temp. Hen VIII (b); income 1l. 14s. 3d. (a, c, r); no plate or goods (s).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	res. 1535	Thos. Horne[a1]
in 1548		no incumbent (c)

OBITS

Certified in 1548 that the following Obits had been founded here (b, c, r):

Name of Founder	Net yearly value.				Wardens to the poor.	
	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
Wm Tompson pst[a2]	5	5			2	4
Robt Kellett pst	13	4			9	0
Robt Brasyer	4	0			2	0
Robt Whirrott or from his lands	5	0			3	0
John Bowdock	4	0			2	0
Rich and Wm Marshall pets[a3]	3	4			1	8 or 1 10
Hen Wynde pst[a4]	3	0 or 4	0		2	0
Thos Lyverssage pst	3	8			2	0
John Canwall	3	4 or 3	3		1	8 or 1 10
Nich Flaxall[a5]	7	0 or 8	0		5	0
Roger Spurrer pst[a6]	4	10 or 5	2		2	10
Edw Canwall[a7]	17	0 or 20	0		14	0
John Taylor[a8]	9	4			7	8
Eliz Hunt wid gave 2 kine worth	20					

BLOXWICH CHAPEL, OR CHANTRY[a9]

Not mentioned in the 1563 return. Certified in 1546 (a) that the chantry of S. Thomas the Martyr had been founded by Sir Roger Hyllary kt., to find a priest to sing divine service in the chapel of Bloxwich, which was 1½ miles distant from the parish church, that its net income was 6l. 11s. 8d., of which 5l. 7s. 6½d. was the priest's salary, 10s. the king's tenths, 7s. 4d. the rector's tenths, 5s. 8½d. the rents resolute.

and 13*d.* the alms for the poor. Also that the house that the priest doth inhabit was worth 2*s.* 6*d.* p.a., and that there were 5 oz. of gilt plate and some ornaments (*a*).

Certified in 1548 that the chantry or free chapel of Bloxwich had been founded by Rich Hurst, John Stoke and others in the reign and by licence of Hen VIII, that its net yearly income was 6*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.*, of which 5*l.* 17*s.* 9*d.* was the priest's salary and 13*d.* went to the poor; that it possessed 4½ oz. of partly gilt plate and ornaments worth 2*s.* 11*d.*, and that there were 2 bells in the steeple (*b, c, r*).

On 14 May 1553 only these 2 bells remained and were left in the custody of Roger Penson, chapel warden, the remainder of the ornaments having been taken away by Rich Forsett, surveyor.

INCUMBENTS

	ob. 1535	Wm Bourne
31 Aug. 1535	occ. 1548	Thos Bourne [31]

CURATES

occ. 1593	a curate [32]
occ. 1602	Rich Hawkes [33]
occ. 1651-2	Thos Lewes [34]
eject. 1662	Toogood [35]
(occ. 1666	John Batlock?) [36]

LIGHTS

Reported in 1548 that lands worth 6*s.* 10*d.* (or 7*s.* 6*d.* (*r*)) net p.a. had been given by some donor then unknown for a light before the Rood in this chapel (*b*).

NOTES

[1] **Turner.** Paid tax of 20*s.* as vicar in 1533; subscribed 1559, died in 1568 or 1569 (*see note* 3). The subsidy due 25 Mar. 1558 was not paid when due (19-506).

[2] **Smythe.** His institution is given in the Bps. Certifs., but not in the *Dioc. Reg.* (*see next note*).

[3] **Weston.** Instituted on the death of Turner (*Dioc. Reg.*).

[4] **Wilson.** Probably matriculated 1558 S. John's Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Scholaris Cantabrigiensis, in sacris litteris studiose exerci-

and 13d. the alms for the poor. Also that the house that the priest doth inhabit was worth 2s. 6d., p.a., and that there were 5 oz. of gilt plate and some ornaments (a).

Certified in 1548 that the chantry or free chapel of Bloxwich had been founded by Rich. Thomas, John Stokes and others in the reign and by licence of Hen. VIII, that its net yearly income was 6l. 8s. 10d., of which 5l. 17s. 6d. was the priest's salary and 13d. went to the poor, that it possessed 44 oz. of partly gilt plate and ornaments worth 2s. 12d., and that there were 2 bells in the steeple (b, c, 7).

On 14 May 1553 only these 2 bells remained and were left in the custody of Roger Tenson, chapel warden, the remainder of the ornaments having been taken away by Rich. Forrett, surveyor.

INCUMBENTS

	ob. 1535	Wm Bourne
31 Aug. 1535	occ. 1548	Thos Bourne[a]

CURATES

occ. 1593	a curate[a]
occ. 1602	Nich Hawkes[a]
occ. 1631-2	Thos Eaves[a]
elect. 1662	Theopond[a]
(occ. 1666	John Batlock?)[a]

LIGHTS

Reported in 1548 that lands worth 6s. 10d. (or 7s. 6d. (c)) net p.a. had been given by some donor then unknown for a light before the Rood in this chapel (b).

NOTES

[1] Turner. Paid tax of 20s. as vicar in 1533; subscribed 1559, died in 1568 or 1569 (see note 1). The subsidy due 25 Elizr. 1583 was not paid when due (10-500).

[2] Smythe. His institution is given in the Eps. Certificate, but not in the Dioc. Reg. (see next note).

[3] Weston. Instituted on the death of Turner (Dioc. Reg.).

[4] Wilson. Probably matriculated 1555 St. John's Coll. Camb. (Venn), Scholaris Cantabrigiensis, in such little studies exerci-

tatus; no preacher (1604 *return*); ordained and instituted by Thos Bentham. Vicarage worth 50*l.* p.a. in 1604.

[5] **Thorneton.** Probably M.A. 1609 S. Mary Hall, Ox., a commoner from co. Chester (*Foster*).

[6] **Green.** Probably M.A. 1608 Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*).

[7] **Hunt.** Probably fellow of Emman. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1617, B.D. 1624 (*Venn*). Preb. of Dassett parva 1636-9, of Tervin 1639-?; vicar of Acton, near Nantwich,?-1639; resigned this living for that of S. Mary's church, Chester (*Introd. to printed Par. Reg.*); survived the Restoration (*Harwood*, pp. 226, 251).

[8] **Byrdall,** Burdall. Probably M.A. Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Signed testimony 1648; appointed assistant to the commissioners for the removal of scandalous ministers 1654; certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry (*Lamb. MS.* 996, p. 163); paid subsidy of 1*l.* 4*s.* 0*d.* in Jan. 1661-2; published sermons, etc. (*Simms*). On 12 Aug. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted him an augmentation not exceeding 50*l.* p.a. from the tithes of Wednesfield, Hatherton, Featherstone and Bentley sequestered from Col. Leveson, papist and delinquent, as the vicarage here was but worth 30*l.* p.a. and there were 1,000 communicants (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 268). Circa 1659 this? augmentation is given as 30*l.* (*Lamb. MS.* 994, p. 142).

[9] **Bourne.** *See* **Cannock.**

[10] **Dickin.** *See* **Weston-under-Lizard.**

[11] **Baslowe.** Paid tax of 6*s.* 2½*d.* as curate in 1533; possibly chief curate of Burton 1545.

[12] **Gorste.** Mentioned as curate here by Agnes Swifte, will pr. 1543; became vicar of Lapley 1543.

[13] **Dobson.** Possibly B.A. 1544 Ox. (*Foster*). Vicar choral at Lichfield 1535-44; purchased in 1538 a "presse, a bedstede and a dore" for 4*d.* at the sale of the goods of the Grey Friars, Lichfield (*Hibbert*, p. 252); became chantry priest here in 1544. On 20 July 1548 the commissioners appointed him assistant curate here (*Grants*). On 15 Mar. 1548-9 Rich Forsett reports to these commissioners that Thos Dobson is not meet for the post, and to say the truth none of the nine (chantry) priests here be meet, but all are too ignorant and superstitious and their vicar likewise. It were better there should be no assistant here than such, but it would be meet for a preacher to be founded here at the King's charge (*d*).

[14] **Watson.** According to *Gee*, p. 124, he subscribed in 1559 as curate of Walsall, but he certainly did not subscribe at Lichfield, where nearly all the Staffordshire clergy subscribed.

[15] **Sclater.** Preacher, schoolmaster, curate of Wilson (1604 *return*).

tains; no preacher (1604 return); ordained and instituted by Thos Beaulam. Vicarage worth 50l. p.a. in 1604.

[5] **Thorneton.** Probably M.A. 1609 S. Mary Hall, Ox., a commoner from co. Chester (Foster).

[6] **Green.** Probably M.A. 1608 Emman. Coll. Camb. (Venn).

[7] **Hunt.** Probably fellow of Emman. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1617, B.D. 1624 (Venn). Preb. of Dassett parva 1625-6, of Tervin 1629; vicar of Acton, near Nantwich, 1-1629; resigned this living for that of S. Mary's church, Chester (Vatred. to prima Ant. Reg.); survived the Restoration (Harwood, pp. 225, 251).

[8] **Byrdall, Burdall.** Probably M.A. Emman. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Signed testimony 1648; appointed assistant to the commissioners for the removal of scandalous ministers 1651; certified the titles of candidates for the ministry (Lamb. MS. 908, p. 163); paid subsidy of 1l. 4s. on 18 Jan. 1651-2; published sermons, etc. (Newns). On 12 Aug. 1656 the committee for plundered ministers granted him an augmentation not exceeding 50l. p.a. from the tithes of Wednesfield, Hatherton, Featherstone and Bentley sequestered from Col. Leveson, papist and delinquent, as the vicarage here was but worth 30l. p.a. and there were 1,000 communicants (Rel. MS. 323, p. 208). Circa 1659 this augmentation is given as 30l. (Lamb. MS. 994, p. 122).

[9] **Bourne.** See Cannock.

[10] **Dilkin.** See Weston-under-Lizard.

[11] **Baslowe.** Paid tax of 6s. 2½d. as curate in 1523; possibly chief curate of Burton 1545.

[12] **Gorste.** Mentioned as curate here by Agnes Swithe, will pr. 1543; became vicar of Lapley 1545.

[13] **Dobson.** Possibly B.A. 1544 Ox. (Foster). Vicar choral at Lichfield 1535-44; purchased in 1538 a "pressé" a bedstede and a dosse" for 4d. at the sale of the goods of the Grey Friars, Lichfield (Wheler, p. 252); became chantry priest here in 1544. On 20 July 1548 the commissioners appointed him assistant curate here (Gouldy). On 15 Mar. 1548-9 Rich Forest reports to those commissioners that Thos Dobson is not meet for the post, and to say the truth none of the nine (chantry) priests here be meet, but all are too ignorant and superstitious and their vicar likewise. It were better there should be no assistant here than such, but it would be meet for a preacher to be founded here at the King's charge (6).

[14] **Watson.** According to Ree, p. 124, he subscribed in 1559 as curate of Walsall, but he certainly did not subscribe as Lichfield, where nearly all the Staffordshire clergy subscribed.

[15] **Slater.** Preacher, schoolmaster, curate of Wilson (1604 return).

[16] **Colleys.** Licensed preacher in this church (*Mander*, p. 68).

[17] **Stone.** Schoolmaster.

[18] *T. R. Mis. Bk.* 258, p. 18; cf. *S. H. C.*, x, n.s., pt. ii, pp. 120, 149.

[19] *T. R. Mis. Bk.* 258, p. 109.

[20] *Ibid.* 259. p. 210.

[21] *Ibid.* p. 220.

[22] *Ibid.* p. 287.

[23] Licence to found this chantry was granted 20 Rich II (1396-7) (*Walsall Calendar, by Rich Sims*, appendix vii).

[24] **Ridware.** *See* **Swynnerton** and *Walsall Calendar*, pp. 108, 126.

[25] **Starysmore,** Staresmore. Vicar of Wednesbury 1548-52.

[26] **Dore.** A chaplain of this name B.Can.L. 1506 Ox. (*Foster*).

[27] **Bradeley.** Chaplain at Willenhall in 1533.

[28] In 1493 called the altar of blessed Mary under the Cross (*Walsall Calendar*, p. 81).

[29] **Hill.** *See* **Shareshill.**

[30] **Molseley**, Mollesley. Licence granted to him and Henry Flaxall to found chantries here 26 Hen VI (1447-8) (*Walsall Calendar*, appendix vii). The will of Thos Mollesley was proved in 1451 (*ibid.* p. 57).

[31] **Bourne.** Chantry priest of the guild c. 1533-5; of Bloxwich chapel 1535-48; of Thos Moseley 1547-8; probably rector of Blymhill 1552-5; in 1548 received pensions of 100*s.* from each of his two benefices, unless there were two Walsall priests of this name in 1548.

[32] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593

[33] **Hawkes.** No preacher, salary 3*l.* (1602 *return*).

[34] **Lewes.** Possibly educated at Cambridge (*Venn*).

[35] **Toogood.** Paid subsidy of 5*s.* in Jan. 1661-2; ejected 1662 (*Calamy*).

[36] **Batlock**? Bockett? Name very doubtful, certified the number of hearths c. 1665 in Walsall Foreign constablewick as minister, so perhaps the curate here.

WATERFALL

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution or any annexed chapels, in Leek D., formerly, a chapel of Rocester church[1] and approp. to that priory.[2]

Ch. Orn., 8 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments; 2 albes; 1 cope; 1 altar cloth; 1 corporal; 2 great bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell (*s*); 1 hand bell. **Ch. wds.:** Thos Smithe & Thos Kente.

[1] **Colleys.** Licensed preacher in this church (Wanley, p. 48).

[1] **Stone.** Schoolmaster.

[1] T. R. Mis. Bk. 258, p. 18; cf. S. R. C., x, ma., pt. ii, pp. 120, 149.

[1] T. R. Mis. Bk 258, p. 109.

[2] Ibid. 259 p. 210.

[2] Ibid. p. 220.

[2] Ibid. p. 287.

[2] Licence to found this chantry was granted as Rich II (1398-7) (Walsall Calendar, by Rink Sims, appendix vii).

[2] **Ridlware.** See Swynnerton and Walsall Calendar, pp. 108, 120.

[2] **Starysmore,** Staresmore. Vicar of Wednesbury 1534-55.

[2] **Dore.** A chaplain of this name B Can.L. 1500 Ox. (Foster).

[2] **Bradeley,** Chaplain at Willenhall in 1513.

[2] In 1493 called the altar of blessed Mary under the Cross (Walsall Calendar, p. 87).

[2] **Hill.** See Sharesshill.

[2] **Molseley.** Molesley. Licence granted to him and Henry Flaxall to found chantries here 20 Hen VI (1442-3) (Walsall Calendar, appendix vii). The will of Thos Molseley was proved in 1452 (Ibid. p. 57).

[2] **Bourne.** Chantry priest of the guild c. 1533-5; of Bilswich chapel 1535-48; of Thos Mosely 1547-8; probably rector of Tipenhill 1552-5; in 1548 received pensions of 10s. from each of his two benefices, unless there were two Walsall priests of this name in 1548.

[2] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1592-

[2] **Hawkes.** No preacher, salary 2l. (Hoss Review).

[2] **Lewes.** Possibly educated at Cambridge (Venn).

[2] **Tongood.** Paid subsidy of 5s. in Jan. 1601-2; elected 1603 (Calamy).

[2] **Baltock?** Bockett? Name very doubtful, certified the number of benefices c. 1603 in Walsall Foreign consistorial as minister, so perhaps the curate here.

WATERFALL

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution or any annexed chapels, in Leek D., formerly, a chapel of Rocester church [1] and approp. to that priory. [2]

Ch. Dom., 8 May 1533: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments; 2 albes; 1 cope; 1 altar cloth; 1 corporal; 2 great bells (2); 1 sanctus bell (2); 1 hand bell. Ch. Wks.: Thos Smythe v Thos Kente.

CURATES

occ. 1533		James Massye [3]
occ. 1593		John Tetloe [4]
occ. 1602	w.p. 16 May 1642	Edmund Okeden [5]
occ. 1651-2-(1666?)		Robt Tompson [6]

NOTES

[1] *S. H. C.*, VIII, n.s., p. 100.

[2] *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 195, p. 68.

[3] **Massye.** Curate here for 21 years *temp.* Hen VIII; stipend 5*l.* 6*s.* 0*d.* and a chamber (*Aug. Proceedings*, Bdle 1, No. 91); paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533.

[4] **Tetloe.** Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris incumbens, ordained 18 Dec. 1583 by Wm Overton, perhaps became curate of Calton.

[5] **Okeden.** No preacher, no degree, a reader for divers years without orders (1602-4 *returns*). Salary 5*l.* (1602 *return*); vicarage worth 46*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* (1604 *return*).

[6] **Tompson.** Minister here in winter of 1651-2 (*return of that year*); certified the number of hearths at Caldon c. 1665 as minister, perhaps held both curacies at that time.

WEDNESBURY

In 1563 a vicarage, without any annexed chapels, in Tamworth D., formerly approp. to Halesowen Abbey and a chapel of Walsall. [1]

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In 1604 there were some recusants here.

Patron: the Crown.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1547	Rich Jenyns [1 9]
19 Ap. 1547	ob. 20 July 1548	Thos Baynes [2]
6 Oct. 1548	occ. 1552	Wm Staresmore [3]
18 Nov. 1553	(ob. c. 1555?)	Edmund Walker [4]
31 Mar. 1555	depr. 1558	Thos Sale [5]

CURATES

occ. 1533		James Massye[a]
occ. 1593		John Tellee[b]
occ. 1602	w.p. 16 May 1612	Edmund Okeden[c]
occ. 1631-2-(1660?)		Robt. Tompson[d]

NOTES

[1] S. R. C., VIII, n.s., p. 100.

[2] Alec. Mis. RB, 105, p. 56.

[a] Massye, Curate here for 21 years (reg. Hen VIII); stipend £6, 6s. 0d. and a chamber (Alog. Proceedings, Bdle. 1, No. 91), paid tax of 5s. 4d. in 1533.

[b] Tellee, Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris tenuibens, ordained 18 Dec. 1583 by Wm Overton, perhaps bishop in partibus of Callan.

[c] Okeden, No preacher, no degree, a reader for divers years without orders (1602-4 returns). Salary £6 (1602 return); vicarage worth 40l. 6s. 8d. (1604 return).

[d] Tompson, Minister here in winter of 1631-2 (return of that year); certified the number of benefices at Callan c. 1665 as ministers, perhaps held both curacies at that time.

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Patron: the Crown.

VICARS

occ. 1533	ob. 1547	Rich Jenyns[1]
19 Ap. 1547	ob. 20 July 1548	Thos Raynes[a]
6 Oct. 1548	occ. 1553	Wm Starnnnge[a]
18 Nov. 1553	(ob. c. 1555?)	Edmund Walker[a]
31 Mar. 1555	depr. 1558	Thos Sale[a]

1 Sep. 1558		Robt Sutton [6]
9 Ap. 1559		Peter Pendebury [7]
	At Xmas 1559	no vicar [8]
26 Ap. 1564	w.p. 27 Sep. 1597	Thos Parkes [9]
7 Oct. 1597	bur. 23 Mar. 1618-9	Rich Dolphine [10]
7 Ap. 1619	occ. Jan. 1638-9	Rich Dolphine B.A. [11]
occ. 1646-54		Edward Barton [12]
28 Feb. 1654-5	eject. 1662	Wm Fincher [13]
16 June 1663	res. 1664	John Turbuck? [14]
12 Nov. 1664		Wm Miller B.A. [15]

OUR LADY'S SERVICE

Certified in 1549 (*e*) that the inhabitants had made a guild to maintain a priest to say or sing (mass) at Our Lady's altar, which had been endowed by :—

(i) John Fysher & Margaret his wife with a pasture in West Bromwich, worth 6*s*. p.a.

(ii) Robt Broke on 31 Mar. 1527-8 with 5 closes in Tipton worth 31*s*. 8*d*. p.a.

(iii) Edw Hopkys on 2 Oct. 1528 with a pasture in West Bromwich worth 16*s*. p.a.

(iv) Unknown donors with lands in Tipton and Wednesbury worth 36*s*. p.a.;

that there was no plate belonging to this service, but some ornaments, worth 2*s*. (which were sold for this sum by Rich Forsett, surveyor, before the inventory was taken in 1553); that the net income was 4*l*. 9*s*. 8*d*. (*c*, *e*), the priest's salary being 4*l*. 3*s*. 0*d*. (*c*); that there were also 2 houses of the manor of Tipton valued at 6*s*. (*e*).

In 1553 the Tipton property is valued at 46*s*. 8*d*. (*l*) and 56*s*. 8*d*. (*n*) and in 1563 at 31*s*. 8*d*. [16] and that at Wednesbury at 16*s*. [16] In 1553 a chalice belonging to this service was discovered in the hands of Edw Good & Nich Hopkins, the ch. wds. (*m*, *n*).

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	Wm Webbe [17]
(w.p. 28 May 1541	Wm Turner)? [18]
occ. c. 1546-8	Rich Janyns [19]

1 Sep. 1558		Robt Sutton*
9 Ap. 1559		Peter Wednesbury*
	At Xmas 1559	no vicar*
26 Ap. 1564	w.p. 27 Sep. 1597	Thos Parkes*
7 Oct. 1597	bur. 21 Mar. 1618-9	Rich Dolphine[11]
7 Ap. 1619	occ. Jan. 1638-9	Rich Dolphine B.A.[11]
	occ. 1640-54	Edward Barton[12]
28 Feb. 1654-5	elect. 1663	Wm Fincher[13]
16 June 1663	res. 1664	John Turnbull?[14]
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(*iv*) Unknown donors with lands in Tipton and Wednesbury worth 36s. p.a.;

that there was no plate belonging to this service, but some ornaments, worth 2s. (which were sold for this sum by Rich Fynett, surveyor, before the inventory was taken in 1553); that the net income was 4l. 9s. 8d. (*c*, *e*), the priest's salary being 4l. 3s. 0d. (*e*); that there were also 2 houses of the manor of Tipton valued at 6s. (*e*).

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occ. c. 1546-8	Rich Jarvis[19]

NOTES

[1] *Walsall Calendars*, deed No. 4.

[2] **Baynes.** Will pr. 7 Aug. 1548. Under the Act of 3 Nov. 1534 his sureties were not compelled to pay the first fruits for this vicarage (*Plea Rolls*, I, No. 54). *See* **Farewell.**

[3] **Staresmore.** Chantry priest at Walsall 1533-48.

[4] **Walker.** Vicarage vacant by death in Mar. 1555 (*Dioc. Reg.*). *See* **Aldridge.**

[5] **Sale.** Vicarage vacant by deprivation in Sep. 1558 (*Dioc. Reg.*). *See* **Church Eaton** and **Penkridge.**

[6] **Sutton.** *See* Stafford vicars choral. Either he or the Ronton curate subscribed in 1559.

[7] **Pendebury.** Presented by Crown (*Lans. MS.* 443, p. 10); subscribed 1559, probably had been vicar choral at Stafford.

[8] *Subsidy* 19-507.

[9] **Parkes.** Scholaris ruralis, mediocriter doctus, did not exhibit certificate of his good conduct in 1593, presented by Crown on petition of Thos Bentham (*Lans. MS.* 443, p. 4), by whom he was instituted.

[10] **Dolphine** (sen.). *See* **Barr chapel.** Vicarage worth 30*l.* in 1604.

[11] **Dolphine** (jun.). B.A. 1618 S. John's Coll. Ox.; son of last vicar (*Foster*).

[12] **Barton.** On 8 July 1646 the committee for plundered ministers found that the value of this vicarage did not exceed 20*l.* p.a. and that there were about 900 persons here, so it granted Barton 50*l.* p.a. from the revenues of the dean and chapter of Wolverhampton in Bilston, Willenhall and Wednesfield (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, p. 215; *Bod. MS.* 323, p. 268) and made an order to pay all arrears of this augmentation on 26 Feb. 1650-1 (*Bod. MS.* 328, p. 395). In April 1654 Barton complained that he had only received this augmentation for one half-year and begged for its continuance as there were many poor in the parish and he had a wife and seven children to keep (*Compounding*, p. 2485). He signed the testimony in 1648. One of this name fellow of Trin. Coll. Camb., M.A. 1625, B.D. 1632 (*Venn*).

[13] **Fincher.** Admitted by the commissioners on the presentation of Oliver Cromwell (*Lamb. MS.* 997, p. 181); received an augmentation of 30*l.* p.a. (*Lamb. MSS.* 981, p. 21; 994, p. 142; 1004, p. 48; *Shaw*, II, p. 595); certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1657 (*Lamb. MS.* 998, p. 198); paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* in Jan. 1661-2; ejected 1662; died in Birmingham (*Calamy*).

[14] **Turbuck** (*Keeper*, 46) or Forbuck (*Dioc. Reg.*).

[15] **Miller.** B.A. 1661-2 Pemb. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*); ordained priest 26 July 1663; presented by the Crown (*Keeper*, 46).

[16] *Leases*, Roll 11, No. 16.

[17] **Webbe.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as priest here in 1533.

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[6] Sutton. See Stafford vicars choral. Either he or the Yoxalton curate subscribed in 1559.

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[15] Miller. B.A. 1661-2 Camb. Coll Camb. (Venn); ordained priest 26 July 1663; presented by the Crown (Reg. 46).

[16] Zacses. Roll 11, No. 16.

[17] Webbe. Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as priest here in 1523.

[18] **Turner.** Described as priest here in his will.

[19] **Janyns,** Genyns, Jenyns. There seems to have been two contemporary priests of this name here. One described as magister paid the vicar's tax of 8*s.* 10½*d.* in 1533, was a trustee of the West Bromwich property in 1528 (*e*) and died in 1547. The other was the last Lady priest here (*d, e, n*) and received a pension of 4*l.* in 1548 (*p*).

WEEFORD

In 1563 a chapel, appropriated to the preb. of Weeford and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 2 vestments, 1 of linen cloth, 1 of . . . .; 1 corporal with velvet case; 1 fustian cope; 3 altar cloths; 1 surplice; 2 towels; 1 brass candlestick; 2 cruets; 1 bell (*s*); 1 bell in the church yard; 1 sanctus bell; 1 little hand bell; 1 brass holywater stock. **Ch. wds.:** John Smithe & Thos Frithe.

In 1604 there were some recusants here.

CURATES

occ. 1604		Thos Hargrave [1]
occ. 1639		John Coles [2]
occ. before 1651		Daniel Bourne B.A.? [3]
occ. 1652-54		John Nuthall [4]
30 Oct. 1654	eject. 1662	Rich Chauntrey B.A. [5]
(occ. 1666		Roger Linch M.A.)? [6]
occ. 1687-98		Sam Nichols [7]

NOTES

[1] **Hargrave.** No preacher, of lewd life (1604 *return*); probably curate of Armitage in 1626. In 1604 the rector was Wm Hinton B.D., archd. of Coventry 1584-1631, precentor of S. Davids in 1596 and vicar of S. Michael's church, Coventry, where he was buried. Presumably in 1604 he also held the prebend of Weeford—though his name does not appear in any of the printed lists—as he is described as "parson and prebendary," non-resident here, a preacher and a pluralist.

[2] **Coles.** Possibly the son of John Coles of Duston, Northants. If so, M.A. 1631 Oriel Coll. Ox. (*Foster*); probably became rector of Stapleton, Salop, and preb. of Dassett parva in 1663.

[3] **Bourne.** Probably B.A. 1639 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn.*) He became curate at Wilnecote chapel, Tamworth (1651-2 *return*).

[4] **Nuthall,** Nuttall. Perhaps B.A. 1609 Peterhouse Coll. Camb.

(*Venn*). On 24 March 1651-2 the trustees granted him an augmentation of 100*l.* p.a., which was paid to him up to 9 Oct. 1654. He received the approbation of the commissioners. (*Lamb. MSS.* 976, p. 517, and 972, p. 13.)

[5] **Chauntrey,** Chantry. Son of John Chantry, husbandman of Repton; born c. 1631; educated at Repton school; B.A. 1652-3 S. John's Coll. Camb.; ordained by the Presbytery (*Venn, Mayor, Repton School Register*); nominated for this rectory (*sic*) at the request of the parishioners by the trustees, established here on 30 Oct. 1654 and approved by the commissioners on 6 Nov. 1654, his certificate of fitness being signed by Derbyshire ministers. Next year he occurs as certifying the fitness of candidates for the ministry. In 1659 his augmentation is given as 80*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* p.a. (*Lamb. MSS.* 972, pp. 29, 35; 996, p. 162; 997, pt. iii, No. 7; 994, p. 142; 1008, p. 25). He paid a subsidy of 5*s.* 0*d.* in 1661 and died at Hartshorne on 22 July 1694 (*Calamy*).

[6] **Linch.** As minister certifies the hearths here in 1666. *See* **Norton Canes.**

[7] **Nichols.** Signs the transcripts in these years.

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In 1604 there were "many popish" here.

CURATES

occ. 1533		Roger Clough[2]
occ. 1593		John Litle[3]
occ. 1602		John Wilson[4]
occ. 1608	bur. 7 Nov. 1636	Thos Johnson[5]
occ. 1643-8		Edward Lane[6]
1648	eject. 1662	Rich Hilton B.A.[7]
1662	ob. Jan. 1709-10	Samuel Addenbrook

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[6] **Lineth.** As minister certifies the baptisms here in 1660. See Norton Canes.

[7] **Nicholls.** Signs the transcripts in these years.

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PRIEST

occ. 1533 Philip Hyll[8]

ASSISTANT CURATE

occ. 1666 Hen White[9]

NOTES

[1] After the dissolution of S. Mary's, Sandwell, in Feb. 1524-5, this rectory was assigned to Wolsey's Oxford College, but was soon transferred to Windsor College. (*Hibbert*, pp. 23, 26; *S. H. C.*, XII, p. 183.) *See* Mary Willett's *History of West Bromwich* for further details.

[2] **Clough.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as curate in 1533.

[3] **Litle.** Scholaris ruralis, mediocriter doctus, ordained by Edmund, bp of Worcester.

[4] **Wilson.** Probably the unnamed curate in 1604, who is described as a layman and no preacher, with a salary of 6*l.* p.a. (1604 *return*).

[5] **Johnson.** Married here on 4 Nov. 1635 Maudlin Sibles.

[6] **Lane.** Probably the " gentleman " from co. Warw. who matriculated at Exeter Coll. Ox. in 1605, aged 15 (*Foster*). He seems to have been curate at Aldridge in 1620 and is perhaps identical with a " clerk " of Pelsall whose will was proved 12 June 1649. (*P. C. C.* 96, *Fairfax.*)

[7] **Hilton.** Brother of John Hilton (q.v.), the incumbent of Barr chapel, Aldridge; B.A. 1644 Ch. Ch. Ox. (*Foster*); granted an augmentation of 20*l.* p.a. by the trustees, apparently in 1656 (*Lamb. MS.* 981, p. 22; cf. *Shaw*, II, p. 595); paid a subsidy of 5*s.* 0*d.* in Jan. 1661-2 and became chaplain to Philip Foley after his ejectment for nonconformity. He died at Walsall c. 1706. (*Calamy*, III, p. 230.)

[8] **Hyll.** Paid tax of 4*s.* 5¼*d.* as priest here in 1533.

[9] **White.** Certified the number of hearths here as " minister."

WESTON-ON-TRENT

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution or any annexed chapels, in Newcastle D., formerly appropriated to the Priory of S. Thomas by Stafford.

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 cope; 2 suites of vestments with all things thereto belonging; 3 great bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** Rich Haideyn & Thos Mouer.

After the dissolution of the Priory of S. Thomas the Martyr

Priest

occ. 1533 Philip Hyll[8]

Assistant Curate

occ. 1666 Hen White[9]

NOTES

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[2] Clough. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. as curate in 1532.

[3] Lille. Scholars' rituale, medicinarie doctus, ordained by Edmund, bp of Worcester.

[4] Wilson. Probably the unnamed curate in 1641, who is described as a layman and no preacher, with a salary of £1. pa. (See above).

[5] Johnson. Married here on 4 Nov. 1633 Maudlin Sibbes.

[6] Lane. Probably the "gentleman" from co. Warw. who matriculated at Exeter Coll. Ox. in 1681, aged 15 (Foster). He seems to have been curate at Aldridge in 1672 and is perhaps identical with a "clerk" of Pelsall whose will was proved 12 June 1689 (P. C. C. 96, Fane/ax.)

[7] Hilton. Brother of John Hilton (q.v.), the incumbent of Bangchapel, Aldridge; B.A. (Lat. Ch. Ch. Ox. (Foster); granted an augmentation of 20l. pa. by the trustees, apparently in 1658 (Lans. MS. 98f, p. 22; cf. Shaw, ii, p. 595); paid a subsidy of 5s. 6d. in Jan. 1661-2 and became chaplain to Philip Foley after his ejectment for nonconformity. He died at Walsall c. 1676. (Calamy, iii, p. 230.)

[8] Hyll. Paid tax of 4s. 5¼d. as priest here in 1533.

[9] White. Certified the number of hearths there as "minister."

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this rectory was impropriated to the Fowler family and this church was served by curates. The Fowlers were noted recusants and it may have been due to this cause that Queen Elizabeth presented Rich Craddock alias Ashton, the rector of Leigh (q.v.), with this rectory on 5 Mar. 1590-1, in spite of the protests of Walter Fowler, who claimed it as his inheritance.[1] Craddock was admitted on 17 Mar. 1590-1, but resigned in 1594, when Jervase Carrington—a former rector of Leigh—was presented by the earl of Essex, on the request of the earl of Shrewsbury, with the rectory of Weston and the chapels of Stowe and Gayton.[2] In 1604 this rectory worth 40*l.* was being farmed by a lay recusant—Mr Blade—who held it on lease from the Fowlers. During the Commonwealth it was sequestered from Geo Walker, farmer thereof under Walter Fowler, both papists and delinquents.[3], [13]

CLERICAL RECTORS

5 Mar. 1590-1	resigned 1594	Rich Craddock
23 July 1594		Jervase Carrington, D.C.L.[2]

CURATES

occ. 1533		Hugh Berdsmore[4]
occ. 1593		Geo Hulme[5]
occ. 1602		Robt Faux[6]
occ. 1605-9		Joseph Rawlen[7]
occ. 1610		John Lineall[8]
occ. 1612-16		Hugh Newton
occ. 1616-18		Rich Ferrett[9]
occ. 1619-21		Peter French[10]
occ. 1623-5		Wm Williams
occ. 1625-6		John Walton
occ. 1627	(eject. 1645?)	Symon Savage[11]
occ. 1645		Robt Darwin[12]
1647	occ. 1650	Wm Thompson[13]
occ. 1651-7		Hump Repton[14]
31 Dec. 1658	occ. 1659	Wm Bromsgrove[15]
occ. 1666		Edw Southall[16]
occ. 1670-7		Samuel Weston[17]

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occ. 1605-9 Joseph Rawlen[7]
occ. 1610 John Linnell[8]
occ. 1612-16 Hugh Newton
occ. 1616-18 Rich Ferrett[9]
occ. 1619-21 Peter French[10]
occ. 1623-5 Wm Williams
occ. 1625-6 John Walton
occ. 1627 (elect. 1631) Symon Savage[11]
occ. 1642 Robt Darwin[12]
1642 occ. 1650 Wm Thompson[13]
occ. 1651-7 Hump Repton[14]
21 Dec. 1658 occ. 1659 Wm Bromsgrove[15]
occ. 1666 Edw Southall[16]
occ. 1670-7 Samuel Weston[17]

NOTES

[1] *S. P. Dom. Eliz.* vol. CXVIII, No. 17.

[2] **Carrington.** B.C.L. 1579 Oxford; rector of Leigh in this county; held at least 8 other benefices in Worc., Glouc. and Warw.; preb. of Worc. from 1577; died 17 Ap. 1601 (*Foster*). *See Hist. MSS. Commission*, IV rept., p. 330.

[3] *Bod. MS.* 328, p. 365.

[4] **Berdsmore.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as curate in 1533.

[5] **Hulme.** Scholaris ruralis, indoctus, ordained by Wm, bp of Chester, did not exhibit certificate of his good character in 1593.

[6] **Faux.** No preacher, no degree, salary 9*l.* (1602 *return*), 6*l.* (1604 *return*).

[7] **Rawlen.** His wife buried here 17 Feb. 1607-8.

[8] **Lineall.** *See* **Stafford, Castle Church.**

[9] **Ferrett.** Held this curacy with that of Gayton.

[10] **French.** One of this name matriculated 1578 S. John's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1585 (*Venn*). Another from Cheshire matriculated 1582 University Coll. Ox. (*Foster*).

[11] **Savage.** Simon Savage "senex" was buried here on 12 June 1648. The rev. S. Plant, late incumbent of Weston, thought that this entry referred to this curate. If so, he may have been deprived of this cure by parliament, as Darwin was minister here in 1645.

[12] **Darwin.** Occurs as curate of Stowe in 1666. One of this name from co. Leic. matriculated 1621 at Ch. Ch. Ox. aged 18 (*Foster*).

[13] **Thompson.** Admitted minister and rector of this church by parliament in 1647 (*Par. Reg.*). In June 1650 he became vicar of Dilhorne (q.v.). On 11 Feb. 1646-7 the committee for plundered ministers found that the vicarage here was worth only 6*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.* p.a., so it granted to the minister the tithes not exceeding 30*l.* p.a. from this impropriate rectory, also the tithes not exceeding 17*l.* p.a. of Anderton meadow, both being sequestered from Geo Walker, farmer thereof under Walter Fowler, both papists and delinquents (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, p. 354). There are many possible graduates of this name (*Venn, Foster*).

[14] **Repton.** Probably matriculated 1639 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*); "settled" here as minister 5 Dec. 1651 by committee for plundered ministers, granted aforenamed augmentation of 30*l.* and 17*l.* from "Morrishfields," co. Stafford (*note* 3); curate of Norton-in-the-moors 1660, vicar of Alstonefield 1712-14.

[15] **Bromsgrove.** Probably matriculated 1644 Ch. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). On 22 Dec. 1658 a petition was presented to the trustees asking that Mr Bromsgrove might be "settled" as minister here, and the trustees ordered an enquiry to be made as to his maintenance as the owner of the tithes had compounded for his delinquency (*Lamb.*

NOTES

[1] S. P. Dom. Eliz. vol. cxviii, No. 17.

[2] **Carrington.** B.C.L. 1579 Oxford; rector of Leigh in this county; held at least 8 other benefices in Wores., Chester, and Warw.; preb. of Worc. from 1577; died 17 Ap. 1607 (*Foster*). See *Hist. MSS. Commission*, IV rept., p. 329.

[3] *Bod. MS.* 328, p. 365.

[4] **Bradsmore.** Paid tax of 5s. 4d. as curate in 1523.

[5] **Hutine.** Scholaris rotalis, indocens, ordained by Wm., bp of Chester, did not exhibit certificate of his good character in 1593.

[6] **Faux.** No preacher, no degree, salary 6l. (*Dioc. return*), 6l. (*1601 return*).

[7] **Rowlen.** His wife buried here 27 Feb. 1607-8.

[8] **Linnell.** See Stafford, Castle Church.

[9] **Ferrett.** Held this curacy with that of Gayton.

[10] **French.** One of this name matriculated 1578 S. John's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1585 (*Venn*). Another from Cheshire matriculated 1582 University Coll. Ox. (*Foster*).

[11] **Savage.** Simon Savage "senex" was buried here on 12 June 1648. The rev. S. Plant, late incumbent of Weston, thought that this entry referred to this curate. If so, he may have been deprived of this cure by parliament, as Darwin was minister here in 1645.

[12] **Darwin.** Occurs as curate of Stowe in 1660. One of this name from co. Leic. matriculated 1621 at Ch. Ch. Ox. aged 18 (*Foster*).

[13] **Thompson.** Admitted minister and rector of this church by parliament in 1647 (*Pat. Reg.*). In June 1650 he became vicar of Dilborne (q.v.). On 11 Feb. 1656-7 the committee for plundered ministers found that the vicarage here was worth only 6l. 8s. 8d. p.a., so it granted to the minister the tithes not exceeding 30l. p.a. from this impropriate rectory, also the tithes not exceeding 17l. p.a. of Anderton meadow, both being sequestered from Geo. Walker, farmer thereof under Walter Fowler, both papists and delinquents (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, p. 354). Therefore many possible graduates of this name (*Venn*, *Foster*).

[14] **Repton.** Probably matriculated 1619 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*); "settled" here as minister 5 Dec. 1651 by committee for plundered ministers, granted afterwards augmentation of 30l. and 17l. from "Morrishfields," co. Stafford (*work* 3); curate of Norton-in-the-moors 1660, vicar of Alstonefield 1672-1[illegible].

[15] **Bromsgrove.** Probably matriculated 1614 Ch. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). On 22 Dec. 1658 a petition was presented to the trustees asking that Mr Bromsgrove might be "settled" as minister here, and the trustees ordered an enquiry to be made as to his maintenance as the owner of the tithes had compounded for his delinquency (*Lamb.*

MS. 980, p. 305). On 31 Dec. 1658 he was admitted to this cure by the commissioners upon his nomination by the trustees (*Lamb. MSS.* 999, p. 157; 995, p. 480; cf. 983, p. 140) and apparently received the 30*l.* augmentation (*Lamb. MS.* 994, p. 142).

[16] **Southall.** Ordained priest 20 Dec. 1663, signs register as vicar 1666.

[17] **Weston.** Signs register as vicar 1670-7.

WESTON-UNDER-LIZARD

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Lapley D.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 silk vestments, 1 white, 1 red; 1 blue silk cope; 1 surplice; 1 maslyn cross; 2 towels; 1 altar cloth; 1 cross cloth; 1 corporal; 3 bells. Note: 1 brass censer has been sold for 10*d.* and 1 vestment, 1 sacring bell, and 2 brass candlesticks have been lost.

RECTORS

occ. 1499	ob. 1506	Thos Goodall [1]
17 Sep. 1506	w.p. 4 Mar. 1550-1	Roger Jenyns [2]
16 Mar. 1550-1	ob. c. 1558	John Collyns [3]
10 Jan. 1558-9	(ob. c. 1571)?	Thos Leeke [4]
17 Mar. 1571-2	occ. 1597	Wm Clarke [5]
16 Mar. 1606-7	occ. 1620	Rich Clarke M.A. [6]
occ. 1651-2		Rich Clayton M.A. [7]
occ. 1661	eject. 1662	Sampson Newton M.A. [8]
28 Apr. 1663	res. 1687	Thos Dickin B.A. [9]
4 June 1687	res. 1704	Samuel Edwards M.A.? [10]

NOTES

[1] **Goodall,** Goodeale. For further particulars about his predecessors and successors *see S. H. C.*, II, n.s., pp. 294-307.

[2] **Jenyns,** Janyns, Jennens, Gemance. Paid tax of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1533.

[3] **Collyns.** *See* **Blymhill.**

[4] **Leeke.** Perhaps chantry priest at Church Eaton 1533-9; subscribed as Like 1559; probably died 1571, as the rectory was then vacant by death (*Dioc. Reg.*).

[5] **Clarke** (Wm). Scholaris ruralis, mediocriter doctus, ordained and instituted by Thos Bentham, occurs 1597 *S. H. C.*, XIII, n.s.,

MS. 980, p. 305). On 31 Dec. 1658 he was admitted to this cure by the commissioners upon his nomination by the trustees (Lamb. MS. 990, p. 157; 993, p. 460; cf. 983, p. 140) and apparently received the 30*l.* augmentation (Lamb. MS. 994, p. 142).

[16] **Southall.** Ordained priest 20 Dec. 1663, signs register as vicar 1666.

[17] **Weston.** Signs register as vicar 1670-7.

WESTON-UNDER-LIZARD

In 1563 a rectory, without any annexed chapels, in Lafey D.

Ch. Orn., May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 silk vestments, 1 white, 1 red; 1 blue silk cope; 1 surplice; 1 masly cross; 2 towels; 1 altar cloth; 1 cross cloth; 1 corporal; 3 bells.

Note: 1 brass censer has been sold for 70*s.* and 1 vestment, 1 sacring bell, and 2 brass candlesticks have been lost.

RECTORS

occ. 1400	ob. 1406	Thos Goodall[1]
17 Sep. 1406	w.p. 4 Mar. 1450-1	Roger Jenyns[2]
16 Mar. 1450-1	ob. c. 1458	John Collyns[3]
10 Jan. 1458-9	(ob. c. 1571)?	Thos Leeke[4]
17 Mar. 1571-2	occ. 1597	Wm Clarke[5]
16 Mar. 1606-7	occ. 1620	Rich Curtis M.A.[6]
occ. 1631-2		Rich Clayton M.A.[7]
occ. 1661	elect. 1662	Sampson Newton M.A.[8]
28 Apr. 1663	res. 1667	Thos Dickin B.A.[9]
4 June 1667	res. 1704	Samuel Edward[10] M.A.[11]

NOTES

[1] **Goodall.** Goodale. For further particulars about his predecessors and successors see S. H. C., ii, p.s., pp. 204-207.

[2] **Jenyns.** Janyns, Jennens, Gennanne. Bind tax of 6*s.* 6*d.* in 1533.

[3] **Collyns.** See Blymhill.

[4] **Leeke.** Perhaps country priest at Church Eaton 1531-9; subscribed as Lilie 1559; probably died 1571, as the rectory was then vacant by death (Doc. Reg.).

[5] **Clarke** (Wm). Scholaris rusalis, mediocriter doctus, ordained and instituted by Thos Bentham, occurs 1597 S. H. C., xiii, 1.

p. 259, probably the unnamed rector in 1604 who was no preacher (1604 *return*). *See* **Ingestre.** Rectory worth 40*l.* in 1604.

[6] **Clarke** (Rich). Probably matriculated 1598 aged 18, M.A. 1604 Ch. Ch. Ox., son of a Staffordshire clergyman (*Foster*).

[7] **Clayton.** *See* **Seighford.**

[8] **Newton.** Paid a subsidy of 10*s.* 0*d.* here in Jan. 1661-2. *See* **Chebsey.**

[9] **Dickin.** B.A. 1656 S. John's Coll. Ox. (*Foster*); ordained both deacon and priest on 4 Mar. 1661-2; said to have come here from Hodnet (*S. H. C.*, II, n.s., p. 303), though it is possible he was rector of Darlaston (q.v.) in Jan. 1661-2; became vicar of Walsall in 1687.

[10] **Edwards.** Probably B.A. 1662 Jesus Coll. Ox., M.A. 1665 Trin. Coll. Camb.; became rector of Donington, Salop, in 1703 (*Foster*).

WETTON

In 1563 a church with cure, but without institution or any annexed chapels, in Leek D., formerly a chapel of Mayfield and appropriated to Tutbury Priory.

Ch. Orn., c. May 1553: 2 chalices with patens; 4 vestments, whereof 2 silk; 4 albes; 3 amices; 1 dornick cope; 1 surplice; 2 altar cloths; 2 towels; 2 corporals with cases; 1 wood cross; 1 brass censer; 1 brass laver; 1 sacring bell; 2 hand bells; 1 sanctus bell; 3 bells (*s*).

CURATES

(occ. 1552	John Cope)? [1]
occ. 1593	a curate [2]
occ. 1602	Rich Alcock [3]
occ. 1620	Thos Clerk
occ. 1628	Samuel Nowell [4]
occ. 1651-2	Hen Crichlowe [5]
occ. 1664	Thos Lees [6]

NOTES

[1] **Cope.** Occurs in 1552 as chaplain to the lord of the manor. (*S. H. C.*, 1912, p. 199.)

[2] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[3] **Alcock.** No degree, no preacher, ignorant, salary of 6*l.* (1602-4 *returns*).

[4] **Nowell.** Mentioned on the authority of Hutchinson. *See* **Mayfield.**

p. 250, probably the unnamed rector in 1604 who was no preacher (1607 return). See Ingestre, Rectory worth £40 in 1607.

[8] **Clarke** (Rich). Probably matriculated 1598 aged 18, M.A. 1604 Ch. Ch. Ox., son of a Staffordshire clergyman (Foster).

[9] **Clayton.** See Seighford.

[10] **Newton.** Paid a subsidy of 10s. 0d. here in Jan. 1601-2. See Cheddesey.

[11] **Dilkin.** B.A. 1590 S. John's Coll. Ox. (Foster), ordained both deacon and priest on 4 Mar. 1601-2; said to have come here from Hodnet (S. W. C., vi. n.s., p. 304), though it is possible he was rector of Darlaston (q.v.) in Jan. 1601-2; became vicar of Walsall in 1605.

[12] **Edwards.** Probably B.A. 1602 Jesus Coll. Ox., M.A. 1609 Trin. Coll. Camb.; became rector of Donington, Salop, in 1609 (Foster).

WETTON

In 1503 a church with cure, but without institution or any annexed chapels, in Leek D., formerly a chapel of Mayfield and appropriated to Tutbury Priory.

Ch. Ord., c. May 1553: 2 chalices with patens; 4 vestments, whereof 2 silk; 4 albes; 3 amices; 1 dornick cope; 1 surplice; 2 altar cloths; 2 towels; 2 corporals with cases; 1 wood cross; 1 brass censer; 1 brass laver; 1 sanctus bell; 1 hand bell; 1 sanctus bell; 3 bells (2).

CURATES

(occ. 1532	John Cope[1]
occ. 1593	a curate[2]
occ. 1602	Nich. Alcock[3]
occ. 1620	Thos. Clerk
occ. 1628	Samuel Nowell[4]
occ. 1631-2	Hen. Crichlowe[5]
occ. 1664	Thos. Lees[6]

NOTES

[1] **Cope.** Occurs in 1532 as chaplain to the lord of the manor. (S. W. C., 1912, p. 199.)

[2] **Curate.** Not named, did not appear for examination in 1593.

[3] **Alcock.** No degree, no preacher, ignorant, subdy of 6d. (1602-4 returns).

[4] **Nowell.** Mentioned on the authority of Hutchinson. See Mayfield.

[5] **Crichlowe.** One of this name matric. at Trin. Coll. Camb. in 1641 (*Venn*).

[6] **Lees.** Mentioned on the authority of Hutchinson. One of this name without a degree was ordained deacon 25 Sep. 1664.

WHITGREAVE CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle D. It formerly belonged to Stafford collegiate church, which no doubt supplied the priest here. In 1549 it possessed 1 rod of land in Whitgreave, worth 2*d*. p.a., which was spent in finding bread & wine for the priest to minister in this chapel (*e*).

Ch. Orn., 4 May 1553: 2 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 1 sacring bell. Rich Forsett, the surveyor, had sold 2 vestments, 1 of green crewel, 1 of red crewel; 1 green crewel cope; 3 altar cloths; 1 towel; 1 corporal; 1 maslyn cross. **Ch. wds.:** John Tylle & Rich Tomkynson.

This chapel is not mentioned in any subsequent return that the writer has seen except that of 1620, when apparently there was no curate here.

WHITTINGTON

In 1563 a church, without any annexed chapels, appropriate to the preb. of Whittington and Berkswich and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 13 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 Bruges satin vestments, 1 white, 1 green; 1 old Bruges satin cope; 3 bells (*s*). **Ch. wds.:** John Hewes and Walter Aldred.

Curates

occ. 1533	Robt *illegible* [1]
occ. 1593-1604	Thos Bratt [2]
occ. 1651-2 bur. 30 Jan. 1681-2	Geo Harding B.A.? [3]
occ. 1683	Wm Hammersley

OBIT

Discovered in 1552 that there was one cow belonging to an obit here in the hands of John Waltho? (*h, m*).

[a] Chetlowe. One of this name matric. at Trin. Coll. Camb. in 1640 (Venn).

[b] Lees. Mentioned on the authority of Hutchinson. One of this name without a degree was ordained deacon 25 Sep. 1664.

WHITGREAVE CHAPEL

In 1563 a chapel with cure, but without institution, in Newcastle D. It formerly belonged to Stafford collegiate church, which no doubt supplied the priest here. In 1340 it possessed 1 rod of land in Whitgreave, worth 2d. p.a., which was spent in finding bread & wine for the priest to minister in this chapel (a).

Ch. Orn. May 1553: 2 bells (2); 1 sanctus bell; 1 sacring bell. Rich Forsett, the surveyor, had sold 2 vestments, 1 of green crewel, 1 of red crewel; 1 green crewel cope; 3 altar cloths; 1 towel; 1 corporal; 1 masslyn cross. Ch. wdn.: John Tylle & Rich Tomkynson.

This chapel is not mentioned in any subsequent return that the writer has seen except that of 1620, when apparently there was no curate here.

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In 1563 a church, without any annexed chapels, appropriate to the preb. of Whittington and Derlawish and subject to his peculiar jurisdiction.

Ch. Orn., 13 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 2 Bruges satin vestments, 1 white, 1 green; 1 old Bruges satin cope; 3 bells (3). Ch. wdn.: John Hewes and Walter Aldred.

CURATES

occ. 1533	Robt Hogyngle[1]
occ. 1593-1604	Thos Barnett[2]
occ. 1631-2 bur. 30 Jan. 1632-3	Geo Harding B.A.[3]
occ. 1683	Wm Hammersley

OBIT

Discovered in 1552 that there was one cow belonging to an obit here in the hands of John Walthoe (A. 40).

LAMP

Discovered in 1552-3 that there was a cottage and lands in Whittington rented at 7*s*. or 8*s*. in the holding of John Hopkins belonging to a lamp here (*h, l, n*).

NOTES

[1] *Illegible* (Robt). Paid tax of 5*s*. 4*d*. as curate here in 1533.

[2] **Bratt.** Scholaris ruralis, mediocriter doctus; no preacher; a lewd man (1604 *return*). Vicarage a donative, nil in the King's Books, worth 20*l*. in 1604.

[3] **Harding.** Perhaps B.A. 1640-1 Trin. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). Paid subsidy of 6*s*. 8*d*. in Jan. 1661-2; wrongly called " Jo " in the printed Hints register, p. 33.

WOLSTANTON

In 1563 a vicarage, with one annexed chapel at Keele, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 suite of single vestments; 2 vestments; 2 albes; 1 towel; 1 cruet; 2 altar cloths; 1 glass pax; 1 brass pix; 1 brass censer; 1 brass cross; 2 copes; 3 bells (*s*); 1 sanctus bell; 2 sacring bells. **Ch. wds.:** Edw Unwen & Roger Turnor.

Patrons: 1574-1646 the Sneads.

VICARS

occ. 1533-35		John Olyver [1]
6 Ap. 1548	ob. Feb. 1573-4	Andrew Bowyer [2]
16 Feb. 1573-4		John Cartwright [3]
21 Oct. 1588	w.p. 28 Nov. 1618	Hen Stevenson [4]
3 Nov. 1618	bur. 24 Nov. 1643	Francis Capps [5]
1643	depr. 11 Dec. 1645	Rich Shelley M.A.? [6]
11 Dec. 1645	bur. 15 Aug. 1679	Isaac Keeling M.A. [7]
1679	bur. 25 Sep. 1696	Rich Taylor

CURATES

occ. 1533	Thos Mayott [8]
occ. 1533	John Turner [9]

LAMP

Discovered in 1552-3 that there was a cottage and lands in Whittington rented at 7s. or 8s. in the holding of John Hopkins belonging to a lamp here (*ib.* 1, w).

NOTES

[1] Illegible (Robt). Paid tax of 5s. 4d.—a curate here in 1533.

[2] Bratt. Scholaris ruralis, medicinae doctor; no practice; a lewd man (1604 *relaxn*). Vicarage a donative, nil in the King's books, worth 20*l.* in 1604.

[3] Harding. Perhaps B.A. 1640-1 Trin. Coll. Camb. (Venn). Paid subsidy for 8s. 8*d.* in Jan. 1661-2; wrongly called "Jo" in the printed Hints register, p. 33.

WOLSTANTON

In 1563 a vicarage, with one annexed chapel at Keele, in Newcastle D.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 suite of single vestments; 2 vestments; 2 albes; 1 towel; 1 cruet; 2 altar cloths; 1 glass pax; 1 brass pix; 1 brass censer; 1 brass cross; 2 copes; 3 bells (s); 1 sanctus bell; 2 sacring bells. **Ch. wds.**: Edw Unwen & Roger Turner.

Patrons: 1574-1646 the Sneyds.

VICARS

occ. 1513-35		John Olyver [1]
6 Ap. 1546	ob. Feb. 1573-4	Andrew Howyer [2]
16 Feb. 1573-4		John Cartwright [3]
21 Oct. 1588	w.p. 28 Nov. 1611	Hen Stevenson [4]
3 Nov. 1618	bur. 24 Nov. 1643	Francis Cappe [5]
1643	depr. 11 Dec. 1645	Rich Shelley M.A. [6]
11 Dec. 1645	bur. 15 Aug. 1670	Isaac Keeling M.A. [7]
1670	bur. 25 Sep. 1696	Rich Taylor

CURATES

occ. 1533	Thos Mayott [8]
occ. 1533	John Turner [9]

occ. 1544	w.p. 18 May 1557	John Glover [10]
	w.p. 3 Oct. 1565	Thos Tunstall [11]
occ. 1568		Rich Barker [12]

PRIESTS

occ. 1533		Thos Tunstall [11]
occ. 1533		John Rowby [13]
occ. 1533		John Goodwyn [14]
	w.p. 19 Ap. 1540	Wm Kent [15]

SERVICE OF BLESSED MARY

In the reigns of Mary and Elizabeth the possessions of this service are returned at about 63*s.* 7*d.* [16]

INCUMBENT

One of the priests

SERVICE OF S. NICHOLAS

The writer has not seen this service mentioned in any of the *Accounts*, [17] but 2*s.* was left to it in 1544 by John Addam and 12*d.* by Gralam Keyling in 1536. [16]

INCUMBENT

One of the priests

KEELE CHAPEL

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments with albes; 1 cope; 2 altar cloths; 2 towels; 1 censer; 1 copper cross; 1 bell (*s*); **Ch. wds.:** James Balle & Edward Sampson.

In 1604 Keele is described as a church annexed to Wolstanton and the tithes belonging to it are reported to be worth 20 marks.

CURATES

occ. 1533		Andrew Bowyer [2]
occ. 1559-69		John Robye [18]
occ. 1571	bur. 17 Jan. 1620-1	Robt Butterton [19]
occ. 1645-1662		Wm Hulton [20]
occ. 1670		Edw Beardmore [21]

occ. 1544	w.p. 18 May 1557	John Glover[14]
	w.p. 3 Oct. 1565	Thos Tunstall[11]
occ. 1568		Rich Barker[14]

PRIESTS

occ. 1533	Thos Tunstall[11]
occ. 1533	John Rowby[14]
occ. 1533	John Goodwyn[14]
w.p. 19 Ap. 1540	Wm Kent[17]

SERVICE OF BLESSED MARY

In the reigns of Mary and Elizabeth the possessions of this service are returned at about 63s. 3d.[18]

INCUMBENT

One of the priests

SERVICE OF S. NICHOLAS

The writer has not seen this service mentioned in any of the Accounts,[19] but 2s. was left to it in 1544 by John Addam and 12d. by Graham Keyling in 1546.[18]

INCUMBENT

One of the priests

KEELE CHAPEL

Ch. Orn., 5 May 1553: 1 silver chalice with paten; 3 vestments with albes; 1 cope; 2 altar cloths; 2 towels; 1 censer; 1 copper cross; 1 bell (s); Ch. wdn.: James Halle & Edward Sampson.

In 1604 Keele is described as a church annexed to Wolstanton and the tithes belonging to it are reported to be worth 20 marks.

CURATES

occ. 1533	Andrew Bowyer[4]
occ. 1559-60	John Kelly[14]
occ. 1571 bur. 17 Jan. 1620-1	Robt Hutterton[14]
occ. 1615-1662	Wm Hulton[20]
occ. 1670	Edw Beardmore[14]

occ. 1686-1696		Thos Walthall [22]
c. May 1696	occ. 1722	Nath Williams
occ. 1726		Peter Meare

THE PRIEST'S SERVICE

Certified in 1548 that the Priest's Service here had been endowed with copyhold lands worth 1*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* p.a., given by persons then unknown, for a priest to say daily mass in the parish church and that there was also in ready money 8*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (*b*).

INCUMBENT

occ. 1533	Chas Ynche [23]

KIDSGROVE CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1563 or subsequently.

In 1552 two bells belonging to this chapel were discovered in the hands of Rich Mole and Rich Tille. The name of this chapel is indistinct and it occurs under the heading of Audley (*h, m*).

THURSFIELD CHAPEL [24]

Not mentioned in 1563.

Ch. Orn., 14 May 1553: 1 vestment with the ornaments and 1 little bell. Note: Rich Forsett, surveyor, had received the chalice and paten of this chapel for the King's use. **Chap. wd.:** Wm Rowley.

CURATES

(occ. 1533-5		Thos Tunstall)? [11]
	in 1604	a curate [25]
(occ. 1626		Wm Burne)? [26]
	(bur. 1 June 1634	Ralph Tunstall)? [27]
occ. 1641		Rich Bourne M.A. [28]
4 Ap. 1651	occ. 1657	Thos Dresser [29]
1658		Jas Haydock [30]
	eject. 1662	— Davenport [31]

SERVICE OF S. JOHN

In 1544 John Addam left one-third of the profit of one heifer to this service. [16]

NOTES

[1] **Olyver.** Described as magister in 1533 when he paid a tax of 30*s.*

[2] **Bowyer.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as curate of Keele in 1533. *See* **Ashley.**

[3] **Cartwright.** *See* **Stoke-on-Trent.**

[4] **Stevenson.** Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris bene instructus; no degree, a preacher (1602-4 *returns*); ordained priest by Wm Overton 1588, instituted by him the same year. Vicarage worth 30*l.* p.a. in 1604.

[5] **Capps.** Married 16 Ap. 1619 Margaret Cowall at Burslem.

[6] **Shelley.** Probably M.A. 1623 Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). On 13 Sep. 1645 Shelley complained to the committee for plundered ministers that the vicarage had been wrongly taken from him by and upon a presentment of his patron's delinquency. On 11 Dec. 1645 the said committee decided that Ralph Sneade of Keele, esq., did not present Shelley until after his estate had been sequestered for delinquency and that Shelley had himself expressed great malignancy against Parliament; therefore it confirmed the appointment of Keeling as vicar and ordered him to preach diligently to the parishioners there (*Add. MS.* 15669, pp. 328, 524). Walker states that he was ejected by the Staffordshire parliamentary committee; no doubt on receipt of instructions from the aforenamed committee.

[7] **Keeling.** M.A. 1629 Magd. Hall Ox., son of Ralph Keeling of Newcastle, gentleman (*Foster*); married 23 Aug. 1636 at Wolstanton Ann Brett, by whom he had a large family; curate at Burslem chapel until appointed to this vicarage (*see last note*); granted by the committee for plundered ministers in 1646 an augmentation of 20*l.* p.a. out of this impropriate rectory sequestered from Rich Snead esq., delinquent and farmer thereof under the bishop, as this vicarage was worth but 40*l.* p.a. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, p. 209; *Bod. MS.* 323, p. 359); signed testimony in 1648; frequently certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1658; paid subsidy of 2*l.* in Jan. 1661-2; conformed and was instituted by the bishop to this vicarage —vacant by the death of Rich Shelley—on 26 June 1662 on the presentation of Wm Snead (*Dioc. Reg.*). His wife died in 1683.

[8] **Mayott.** Paid tax of 6*s.* 2½*d.* as curate here in 1533.

[9] **Turner.** As curate witnesses the will of Gralam Keyling of Wolstanton pr. 1536.

[10] **Glover.** Described as curate in 1544 (*S. H. C.*, 1910, p. 247) and in his will.

[11] **Tunstall.** Described as curate in his will. Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as priest here in 1533 and as priest witnesses the will of Thos Rowley of Wolstanton pr. 1535, who left money to the new chapel of

NOTES

[1] Olyver. Described as magister in 1533 when he paid a tax of 30s.

[2] Bowyer. Paid tax of 5s. 4d. as curate of Keele in 1533. See Ashley.

[3] Cartwright. See Stoke-on-Trent.

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[12] **Barker.** Paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* as curate in 1568 (19-516).

[13] **Rowby,** Robye. Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as priest here in 1533, subscribed 1559 as curate of Keele chapel, paid subsidies of 6*s.* 8*d.* as curate of Keele (19-516, 519).

[14] **Goodwyn.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as priest here in 1533. *See* **Ilam.**

[15] **Kent.** Described as priest here in his will.

[16] *Accounts*, 6829, 6833, 6839, etc. John Addam left 16*d.* to this service in 1544 (*S. H. C.*, 1910, p. 247), Gralam Keyling left 12*d.* in 1536 (will pr. 1536 at Lichfield), John Beech gave 3*s.* 4*d.* to this church that he might be buried on the south side of the church before the image of our blessed Lady the Virgin. He also left the same amount to mend the " fowle way " between Knutton and the " new castell " (will pr. 1539).

[17] *Accounts*, 6795 *et seq.*

[18] **Robye.** *See note* 13.

[19] **Butterton.** Scholaris ruralis, omino indoctus; no preacher, no degree, very ignorant, a common drunkard (1602-4 *returns*); ordained by Thos Bentham; paid subsidy of 6*s.* 8*d.* as curate in 1571 (19-523).

[20] **Hulton.** Probably matriculated 1633 Caius Coll. Camb. (*Venn*); had a son baptized here in 1645 and probably was then curate although not approved by the commissioners until 10 Oct. 1655. (*Lamb. MS.* 968, p. 11.) On 29 Oct. 1646 the commissioners for compositions ordered the fine on Ralph Sneyde of Keele and his brother Wm to be abated, if they settled 50*l.* p.a. on each of the chapels of Keele and Thursfield, and in 1652 it was reported that the said commissioners had purchased from Ralph Sneyde—then dead—100*l.* p.a. out of this rectory (*Compounding*, pp. 1032, 1033). On 16 Oct. 1655 the trustees ordered that Hulton should have 50*l.* p.a. out of the rectory of Wolstanton, and this seems to have been regularly paid to him during the Interregnum. (*Lamb. MSS.* 970, p. 55; 981, p. 22; 994, p. 142.) In Jan. 1661-2 he paid a subsidy of 10*s.* 0*d.*

[21] **Beardmore.** *See* **Whitmore chapel.**

[22] **Walthall.** Married here in 1690 Eliz Watson.

[23] **Ynche,** Inche, Yuthe? Paid tax of 4*s.* 5¼*d.* as priest here in 1533.

[24] Money was left to the new chapel of Thursfield in 1534 by Thos Rowley of Wolstanton (will pr. 1535). Gralam Keyling also left 12*d.* to the Service of Thursfield (will pr. 1536).

[25] **Curate.** Not named, a reader, commonly a boy without orders, salary 40*s.* (1604 *return*).

[26] **Burne.** In 1626 the baptism of a child of Wm Burne, clerk, and Mary his wife is recorded in the Wolstanton register, which in 1627

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[20] **Beardmore.** See Wilbtmore chapel.

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[27] **Tunstall.** No other authority for this name than the burial register, which describes him as "clerk."

[28] **Bourne.** *See* **Cannock.**

[29] **Dresser.** Probably matriculated 1646-7 Jesus Coll. Camb. (*Venn*). On 26 Sep. 1646 the committee for plundered ministers ordered that the residue worth 40*l.* p.a. of the profits of the rectory here (*see note* 7) should be paid to the minister here when appointed. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, p. 209; *Bod. MS.* 323, p. 359.) On 4 Ap. 1651 the same committee granted 50*l.* p.a. from Penkridge rectory (*see* **Maer,** *note* 13) to Dresser, "this day settled minister here," as his present maintenance was but 30*l.* p.a. (*Bod. MS.* 328, p. 397.) On 28 Jan. 1651-2 a committee (for the reformation of the universities?) granted to this "godly and able preacher" an augmentation of 19*l.* p.a. and ordered all arrears to be paid. (*Sion MS.*, p. 497.) This last grant was paid him until he became vicar of Dilhorne about Jan. 1657-8. (*Lamb. MSS.* 976, p. 516; 993, p. 317; cf. *S. P. Dom.* CLXXX, 42, No. 12.) To illustrate the contradictory orders which were often made about this time, it may be mentioned that on 11 June 1652 the committee for plundered ministers granted him 20*l.* from the tithes of Cannock sequestered from Mrs Coleman, recusant, together with one year's arrears up to 25 March 1652, as he complained he could not get the grant made on 4 Ap. 1651 as the profits of Penkridge were overcharged. (*S. P. Dom.* F. 2, pt. ii, p. 514.)

[30] **Haydock.** On 23 Mar. 1657-8 is recorded the approval of an order of the trustees to increase Haydock's augmentation from 19*l.* to 40*l.* p.a. (*S. P. Dom. Inter.*, CLXXX, p. 42, No. 12.) Payment of this 40*l.* to him is mentioned circa 1658-9. (*Lamb. MSS.* 981, p. 21, and 994, p. 142.)

[31] **Davenport.** *See Calamy.*

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[30] Haydock. On 23 Mar. 1657-8 is recorded the approval of an order of the trustees to increase Haydock's augmentation from 10l. to 40l. p.a. (S. P. Dom. Inter. cxxxx, p. 42, No. 12.) Payment of this 40l. to him is mentioned circa 1658-9. (Lamb. MSS. 988, p. 21 and 994, p. 142.)

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118*l.* 4*s.* 7½*d.* (*b*), 111*l.* 17*s.* 11*d.* (*c*), and circa 1550 at 117*l.* 2*s.* 11¼*d.* (*r*). In another return of 1550 the income appears to have been rather lower. [2]

The chantry chapels and guilds mentioned below are not given in any Staffordshire return; but a note appears stating that the college is "certified by the Commissioners within (the county of Berks) and therefore not reported in thys certificat" (*a*). The Commissioners for Berkshire, however, probably looked to Staffordshire, for although places annexed to the chapel of S. George in Windsor are returned among the Berkshire rolls, the church at Wolverhampton is not one of them.

Henry de Prestwode's chantry, founded by Letters Patent dated 28 June 1311, enabling him to give and assign certain lands "cuidam capellano diuina in ecclesia beati Petri de Wolurenehamptone celebraturo," [3] is supposed to have been that dedicated to S. Catherine in the north transept. The Lady Chapel was situated in the south transept, together with S. George's and "Pyper's chapell" (*sic*), S. Loe's being at the east end of the south aisle. [4]

THE HERMITAGE CHAPEL

It was certified in 1549 that this chapel "is of the rode" (rood) whereunto a chamber adjoineth at the end of the same and is made a dwelling house without any service (being) there maintained. A little croft belongeth to it worth 4*s.* per annum (*e*).

THE MORROW MASS PRIEST (THE STIPENDIARY)

Reported in 1549 to be endowed with sundry messuages, &c., in Wolverhampton, which had been given "of long tyme past by whom it is unknowne" to maintain one priest to sing daily morrow mass in the church there. This property was then let for 2*l.* 14*s.* 10*d.* to Thomas Wetton, who was promised a lease thereof by the Lord Protector. [5]

The last chaplain: John Wallowes (*e*). [6] Evidently this was Henry de Prestwode's foundation.

OBITS

Reported in 1549 that the following persons had given lands, worth yearly net the sums named, for obits to be held in this

church (*e*). All these lands were granted on 28 Feb. 1548-9 to Richard Whalley, arm., servant to the Lord Protector.[7]

Elen Clare	9*s.* 0*d.*
Alice Tonge	8*s.* 8*d.*
Richard Wilkes, priest,	4*s.* 6*d.*[8]

Stebbing Shaw, II, 160, on the authority, apparently, of the Huntbach MSS., has preserved the following:—

An inventory of all the goods belonging to St. Catherine's gelde, remaining in the custody of Michaell Brooke and Raph Grafton, churchwardens of the church of Wolverhampton 1541, 33 *Hen. viij.*

Imprimis, 2 great candlesticks of mastlen, weying lvi li.

It. one flower, with 6 branches of mastlen, weying xxx li.

It. xvi small candlesticks of mastlen, weying xxx li.

It. a palle to hang afore the alter, of red saten and green.

It. 2 dyaper alter-clothes and v plaine alter-clothes, and 3 towells.

It. halfe a dyaper towell, St. Catherine's cote of black velvett.

It. St. Catharine's shough of sylver, and one cristall stone sett in sylver, all weying somewhat less than an ounce, sould to Harman Beyne for 16*d.*

It. one coffer p't 12*d.*

It. one painted cloth to set afore the alter in Lent.

It. one red vaile, with red crosses.

It. 2 candlesticks of mastlin standing upon St. Catherine's alter, weying 8 li.

It. 2 iron candlesticks, weying . . . . in the hands of sir Hump. Horton, priest.

The goods of our Ladye's gelde remaining in the hands of the churchwardens.

Imprimis in readdy money, 12*s.* 4*d.*

It. 4 ounces of rings, crosses, bocules, and other broken sylver, sould for 14*s.*

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It. one flower, with 6 branches of mastlen, weying xxx li.
It. xvi small candlesticks of mastlen, weying xxx li.
It. a palle to hang afore the alter, of red satten and green.
It. 2 dyaper alter-clothes and v plaine alter-clothes, and 3 towells.
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It. St. Catharine's shrough of sylver, and one mistall stone sett in sylver, all weying somewhat less than an ounce, sould to Harman Beyne for 10d.
It. one coffer p't 12d.
It. one painted cloth to set afore the alter in Lent.
It. one red vaile, with red crosses.
It. 2 candlesticks of mastlin standing upon St. Catherine's alter, weying 8 li.
It. 2 iron candlesticks, weying . . . . in the hands of sir Humphrey Horton, priest.

The goods of our Ladye's gelde remaining in the hands of the churchwardens.

Imprimis in readdy money, 12s. 4d.
It. 4 ounces of rings, crosses, bocules, and other broken sylver, sould for 14s.

It. our ladye's cote of black velvet, and two sleeves, one of red tynsell satten, and the other of black velvett, and Jhs. cote of red sattin, sold to Mr Austyn for 6*s*. 8*d*.

It. 9 paire of beads, 2 onches, and a sylver cross, remaining in the hands of the said churchwardens unvalued, whereof 3 of the same paire of beads be sylver gaudyed.

Goods of the bachelers gelde delivered to the said churchwardens.

Imprimis, 3*s*. 9*d*. of sorry monyes, sould for 40*d*.

Goods of St. George's gelde delivered to the said wardens.

Imprimis, two towells. It. two alter clothes.

Goods of the Vice (?vicar) *remaining in the said wardens' hands.*

Imprimis, 26 candlesticks of mastlin, l^ti^. li.

It. 2 iron soles, and two cross staples for the bells.

Goods in the custody of sir John Banes, St. Mary's priest, which the said wardens are charged with.

Imprimis, a chalice double gilt, weying xvi ounces.

It. an alter cloth of white silver and greene.

It. a palle cloth of black velvett and crimson velvett, with a red cross in the middest thereof.

It. a vestment of white silke bordered with gold, and all the apparrell thereto belonging.

It. 2 great basons of mastlin, weying 20 li.

It two fine dyaper alter clothes.

It. 2 greate candlesticks of mastlin, weying 120 li.

It. 2 small ones of mastlin, weying 7 li.

It. 2 corppas cases of black velvett, lined with branched damaske, and 3 fine corpes within them.

Goods in the quire.

Imprimis, 2 small candlesticks on the high alter, of mastlin, weighing 8 li.

It. 2 vessells of mastlin, weying 18 li.

It. 2 censers of mastlin, weying 6 li.

Certaine jewells of the church, also remaining with the sexton, charged to the said churchwardens.

It. one chalice, parcell gilt, weying 15 ounces and 3 quarters.

It. one other chalice, over gilt, weying 15 ounces and 3 quarters.

It. one other chalice, over gilt, weying 13 ounces and a halfe.

It. one sylver cross gilt, weying 44 ounces.

It. amonge the relicks, of one image of sylver, and over gilt, with a glass therein, and a thorne, weying 5 ounces and a quarter.

It. a cross of wood, with sylver thereabout, not weyed, which was called parcell of the wholly cross.

It. one round thing, like a box of sylver, and gilt, wherin it is said should be inclosed a peece of the wholly candle, not weyed.

It. another box of sylver, like a salt, with birrall, not weyed.

It. our Ladye's shoes were sould for viij*s*. iiij*d*.

In 1548 it was certified that this church had no plate or goods (*b*); but on 13 May 1553 the following were forthcoming:—

2 silver chalices with patens; 16 copes—8 of silk (2 white, 2 green, 1 black, 1 blue, 1 red tinsel, 1 chequered white and green), 2 of velvet (1 black, 1 green), 2 of white damask, 2 of white fustian, 1 of white satin, 1 of Venice gold cloth; 1 cross of copper (and gilt); 1 wood cross with a copper image; 5 great bells; 2 little bells.

Ch. wds.: William Foxall & John Harewell.[9]

Queen Mary refounded this college by a charter dated 26 Dec. 1553.[10] Thereby the dean of Windsor again became dean of Wolverhampton with his peculiar jurisdiction in that church and parish exempt from external control. In addition to the dean, who held the prebend of Wolverhampton and its manor, there were seven other prebendaries and a sacrist. This establishment was distinct from that at Windsor with its own seal, revenues, jurisdiction, rights and immunities.

The custom of leasing out this property for a term of years for

a large sum down and a small annual payment prevented the prebendaries who intervened between these leases from enjoying any considerable stipend and encouraged non-residence.[11] A more reprehensible practice was that of sub-letting small parcels of the estates for lives, when, on a change of prebendaries or loss of the deeds, such property came to be regarded as freehold and provoked litigation.[12] The crowning absurdity appeared in 1687 when the lessee of the majority of the prebendal manors discovered he had been paying rent for a property in which he had no interest, while the prebendary concerned could (had he known it) have received the whole rent instead of a small portion only.[13]

The actual cure of this church and parish fell therefore too often upon the three curates or stipendiaries, who were receiving 6*l.* apiece in 1604. There were also four vicars choral, who were paid 10 nobles each, an organist and four boys.[14] After the Restoration the "singing men"—the status of this body had much declined—received 4*l.*, the three curates 10*l.*, and the organist 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* There were then no boys.[15]

In Erdeswick's time the sacrist enjoyed a special stipend of 40*l.*[16] He was usually also one of the prebendaries, and became the chief incumbent. After the Act of 1811 he was styled "perpetual curate of Wolverhampton."[17]

Another appointment, that of the "Official" who conducted the legal business of the church and was known later also as the "chancellor," became prominent (if it existed before) from about the commencement of the 17th century.[18] The fact that no salary appears to have been attached to this position hardly allowed the holder a separate existence; and the "Official" appears in the person of a prebendary, the sacrist or both. Scarcely any of the wills of this peculiar, attention to which was doubtless part of the official's business, are recorded before 1620.[19]

A fair number of the prebendaries were drawn from the local clergy and others interested in the town, and these changed sometimes from a poor to a richer prebend as chance offered. Even some of the dean's especial nominees rendered good services in the prosecution of prolonged and expensive Chancery suits for the sake of the property of the church. By "an antient custom time out of minde" a small fee was charged on the

installation or "investing" of a new dean or prebendary, the proceeds going towards the repairs of the church[20]; but in the case of the deans this ceremony does not appear to have survived the civil wars, while some of the prebendaries were installed by proxy.[21]

The college was finally dissolved by Act of Parliament in August 1848, the last dean having died in 1846. The last prebendary lived until 29th Oct. 1885.

In 1563 there were 323 householders, exclusive of those at Pelsall.

In 1604 the population of the parish is returned at 4,000, and papists and recusants abounded.

Dean Christopher Wren notes[22] that the parish contained "17 greate Villages, wherein are but 3 small Chapels (of Ease) not capable of a Tenth parte of the Inhabitants, computed to have beene (vsually) neere 30,000 soules, whereof by Proportion, 7 or 8,000 are thought of age to communicate."

In 1646 and 1656 this parish had 4,000 communicants and 3 chapels, one 5 miles from the town.[23]

At their first opportunity during the war certain "evil and disorderly persons," on behalf of the royalist and recusant lessee of the manors, attacked the property of such of the prebendaries as stood well affected to the Parliament in a "most uncivill raigeing & furious manner." Advantage was also taken of the church being garrisoned by the royalists to break open the chests in the Chapter House and seize the deeds and ancient records of the church—rentals, terriers, court books and other writings—and "embezzle them away."[24]

In April 1654 the two ministers Sparry & Cleyton (in petitioning for a continuance of their income out of the estates, no longer sequestered, of the lessee of the church lands) state that of the large revenues formerly belonging to the church there was not an annual income of 30*l.* remaining. They "humbly represent, that the state of this miserable Towne is so much the more sad in regard it swarmes with Papists (and thence is by many stiled little Rome) there being besides many of inferior ranke, above 20 families of Recusants of the ranke of the Gentry by whom many are drawne to Popery; and some of them were so turbulent the last Summer and guiltie of such high Ryots that

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Feb. 1553-4	res. Ap. 1556	Owen Oglethorpe S.T.P.
c. Sep. 1556	depr. 10 Dec. 1557	Hugh Weston S.T.P.
c. Feb. 1557-8	depr. 1559	John Boxall S.T.B.
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c. Feb. 1557-8	depr. 1559	John Boxall S.T.B.
(27 Ap.) 1560	res. 1572	George Carew B.A.[28]
23 June 1572	res. Nov. 1595	William Day S.T.B.

23 Mar. 1595-6	res. Feb. 1602-3	Robert Bennet S.T.P.
Inst. 2 Mar 1602-3	died 14 June 1612	Giles Thompson S.T.P.[29]
21 June 1612	died 3 May 1618	Anthony Maxey S.T.P.
(13) May 1618	res. Feb. 1621-2	Marcus Antonius de Dominis
Inst. 18 May 1622	died 30 June 1627	Henry Beaumont S.T.P.[30]
Inst. 24 July 1628	res. c. Jan. 1634-5	Matthew Wren S.T.P.
Inst. 4 Ap. 1635	died 29 May 1658	Christopher Wren S.T.P.
(Nominated July 1658	died 16 Aug. 1659	Edward Hyde S.T.P.)
Inst. 3 Sep. 1660	died 13 July 1677	Bruno Ryves S.T.P.
(18) July 1677	died 8 June 1683	John Durel S.T.P.
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PREBENDARIES OF FEATHERSTONE

occ. Mar. 1525	died 1536	John Algar[31]
occ. Mar. 1541-2		John Thynne[32]
occ. 1548, Dec. 1553		Thomas Creswell[33]
occ. Feb. 1576-7	died 1593	John Creswell[34]

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Inst. 18 May 1622	died 20 June 1627	Henry Beaumont S.T.P.**
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occ. 1620	died 14 June 1634	Samuel Burton S.T.B. [35]
....		....
occ. c. 1680		Isaac Addey [36]
c. 1690, occ. 1702	?died 12 Sep. 1734	John Plymley M.A. [37]

PREBENDARIES OF HATHERTON

oc. 1533, 1548		William Daye [38]
Dec. 1553	?who died 8 Ap. 1575	John Leveson [39]
....		....
Inst. (c. May) 1605	occ. Nov. 1615	Christopher Cragge M.A. [40]
c. 1617, occ. 1620	res. 1621	Godfrey Goodman S.T.P. [41]
Apptd. 29 Aug. 1621, occ. 1662	?died 1665	Cesar Callendrine S.T.B. [42]
....		....
occ. c. 1680		.... Fisher [43]
?c. 1695	died 15 Ap. 1720	John Hillman M.A. [44]

PREBENDARIES OF HILTON

occ. 1533, 1548		Edmund Woodsense [45]
12 Feb. 1543-4 ff.	occ. 1548	Thomas Jackson [46]
occ. Dec. 1553		Thomas Aston [47]
....		....
occ. 1573?	died Oct. 1618	James Burton [48]
occ. 1620	died 8 Aug. 1638	Thomas Goade S.T.P. [49]
....		....
?c. 1673, occ. c. 1680	died 13 Ap. 1695	John Hinckley S.T.P. [50]
?1695	res. before 1702	John Tomkys M.A. [51]
occ. 1702	died June 1715	Thomas Allestree M.A. [52]

PREBENDARIES OF KINVASTON

occ. 1533-35		William Edwards [53]
occ. 1548-50		John Knowles [54]
occ. Dec. 1553		Adam Brooke [55]
?1595, occ. 1620	died Sep. 1633	William Bailey M.A. [56]

occ. 1620 died 14 June 1634 Samuel Burton S.T.B.**

occ. c. 1680 Isaac Addey**

c. 1690, occ. 1702 died 12 Sep. 1734 John Plynley M.A.**

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occ. 1533, 1548 William Daye**

Dec. 1553 who died 8 Ap. 1575 John Leverson**

Inst. (c. May) 1605 occ. Nov. 1615 Christopher Craggs M.A.**

c. 1617, occ. 1620 res. 1621 Godfrey Goodman S.T.P.**

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?(1633	died Aug. 1670	Andrew Bailey M.A.)[57]
occ. c. 1680	died c. 1684	Andrew Durell (Dr)[58]
Inst. 21 Nov. 1684	died 20 June 1693	Samuel de l'Angle S.T.P.[59]
?1693 occ. 1702		Richard Reading B.A.[60]

PREBENDARIES OF MONMORE

occ. 1533-35		William Creton[61]
24 May 1547 ff.		Thomas Wightman
21 Sep. 1547 ff.	died 1555	William Lynde[62]
....		....
....		....
occ. 1620	died c. Oct. 1623	John Fox S.T.B.[63]
?1623	died Mar. 1629?	John Robbins[64]
....		....
....		....
occ. c. 1680		William Chandler[65]
....	?(died June 1703	John Tompkys M.A.)[66]
occ. 1702	died 21 May 1730	Richard Ames[67]

PREBENDARIES OF WILLENHALL

occ. 1533-5	res. 1541?	William Leveson[68]
occ. 30 Oct. 1541, and Dec. 1553, 1563?		Humphrey Horton B.A.?[69]
	(died April 1610	Thomas Meeke?)[70]
Inst. (c. May) 1610	res. c. 1622	Joseph Hall S.T.P.[71]
Inst. c. 1622 or 1623	died 1650	Richard Lee[72]
....	....	....
Collated 13 Oct. 1660	died 1679	Thomas Wren LL.D.[73]
(1680	died 6 Feb. 1688	Edward Fulham M.A.?)[74]
occ. 1702	died Oct. 1723	John Hinton B.C.L.?[75]

?(1633	died Aug. 1670	Andrew Bailey M.A.) **
	occ. c. 1680 died c. 1684	Andrew Durell (Dr) **
Inst. 21 Nov.	died 20 June	Samuel de l'Angle
1684	1693	S.T.P. **
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	21 Sep. 1547 ñ. died 1555	William Lyude **
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	occ. 1620 died c. Oct. 1623	John Fox S.T.B. **
?1623	died Mar. 1629?	John Robbins **
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....		
	occ. c. 1650	William Chandler **
....	?(died June 1703	John Tomplys M.A.) **
	occ. 1702 died 21 May 1730	Richard Aines **

PREBENDARIES OF WILLENHALL

	occ. 1533-5 res. 1542?	William Leveson **
	occ. 30 Oct. 1542, and	Humphrey Horton
Dec. 1553, 1563?		B.A.? **
	(died April 1610	Thomas Medley) **
Inst. (c. May)	res. c. 1622	Joseph Hall S.T.P. **
1610		
Inst. c. 1622	died 1650	Richard Lee **
or 1623		
....		
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1660		
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PREBENDARIES OF WOBASTON

	occ. 1533-35	John Bellet [76]
20 June 1536 ff.		John Sampson B.C.L.? [77]
16 Feb. 1546 ff. occ. 1548 and	occ. Dec. 1553 died July 1588	William Sale M.A. [78]
....		....
	occ. 1620	Thomas Gurrey M.A. [79]
....		....
	occ. Nov. 1679 res. before 1702	Thomas Allestree M.A. [80]
	occ. 1702	Walter Ashley [81]

Unplaceable in the above lists

occ. 1573?	died (c. Mar.) 1601-2	Henry Raby (clerk) [82]
	died Jan. 1669-70	Henry Miller [83]

SACRISTS

(Sacristans, Sextons or Chapter Clerks)

22 July 1548		William Sale [84]
Dec. 1553		John Wallowes [85]
....		....
	bur. 10 Ap. 1610	Thomas Meeke [86]
occ. 1620	bur. 7 July 1636	John Skinner [87]
occ. 1637	died Oct. 1660	Robert Diott M.A. [88]

"MINISTERS AND REGISTERS"

c. June 1646	res. end of May 1647	Richard Lee [89]
Apptd. 20 July 1648	res. April 1658	Ambrose Sparry M.A.? [90]
Apptd. 11 Feb. 1657-8	res. Nov. 1660	John Reynolds M.A.? [91]

SACRISTS, ETC.

19 April 1661	died Aug. 1670	Andrew Bailey M.A. [92]
	occ. Feb. 1676-7	? John Paston [93]
(c. Nov.) 1677	died 9 Feb. 1702-3	Henry Bracegirdle B.C.L. [94]

PREBENDARIES OF WORKSTON

occ. 1533-35		John Ibelet **
20 June 1536 fl.		John Sampson B.C.L.? **
16 Feb. 1540 fl. occ. 1548 and		
occ. Dec. 1553 died July 1558		William Sale M.A. **
. . . .	. . . .	
occ. 1620		Thomas Gurney M.A. **
. . . .	. . . .	
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?1605 occ. 1610	bur. 23 Sep. 1633	William Bailey M.A.[95]
? 1633	bur. 6 Aug. 1670	Andrew Bailey M.A.[96]
....	....?	....?
?1676	occ. c. 1680, 1708	
	died 30 June 1715	Thomas Allestree M.A.[97]

ASSISTANT CLERGY

(Vicars Choral, Curates, Stipendiaries and Assistant Ministers)

occ. 1533, 1560		John Lee[98]
occ. 1525, 1533		John Cowper[99]
occ. 1533		Thomas Bradshaw[100]
occ. 1533-4, 1560		Thomas Jacson[101]
occ. 1533		Richard Otys
occ. 1533		John Jukes
occ. 1533	bur. 26 Dec. 1574?	James Penforde[102]
occ. 1548	depr. 1549	John Pole[103]
occ. 1541, 1548		John Baynes[104]
occ. 1548		Thomas Sadler[105]
occ. 1548		Ralf Stirrop[106]
occ. 1548		Arthur Bucknall[107]
occ. 1560		Thomas Broddocke[108]

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occ 1604	bur. 27 Mar. 1607	(Sir) Richard Mansell, "one of the vicar chorals"[110]
occ. 1604	bur. 2 Ap. 1621	(Mr) Walter Cowper, "one of the curates"[111]
occ. 1624		(Mr) Andrew Bailey M.A., "one of the curates"

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occ. 1624		(Mr) Andrew Bailey M.A., " one of the curates "

occ. 1621 to 1627	died 1631	(Mr) William Smith M.A., "one of the curates"[112]
occ. Jan. 1624-5		Emanuel Creswell, "one of the curates"
occ. 1634, '42, 1660	bur. 6 Dec. 1661	(Mr) Hugh Davis, "curate"[113]
	bur. 13 Nov. 1637	John Thrustones, "one of the singing men"
	bur. 11 Ap. 1640	William Tompkis, "singing man and clarke"
	bur. 2 Ap. 1643	(Mr) William Hancokes, "curate"[114]
	bur. 11 May 1643	(Mr) Richard Lane, "one of the curates"
	bur. 24 Nov. 1643	Humphrey Taylor, "clarke of this church"

ASSISTANT MINISTERS

occ. 23 May 1648		(Mr) Richard Littleton[115]
Apptd. 1 Aug. 1648		William Kimberley M.A.?[116]
occ. c. 1650		John Nott[117]
Apptd. 25 June 1651	resigned c. 1651	Richard Hinckes[118]
Apptd. 16 June 1652	resigned c. Nov. 1655	Richard Cleyton M.A.?[119]
occ. Mar. 1656	promoted 1657-8	John Reynolds M.A.?[120]
occ. ?1655, 1662	bur. 5 Ap. 1686	(Mr) John Adams, "clarke of the church of W."[121]
	bur. 11 June 1667	Richard Williamson, "one of the curates"
occ. 1663 onwards	bur. 28 Mar. 1689	(Mr) Francis Williams, "one of the curates"[122]

occ. 1621 to 1627	died 1631	(Mr) William Smith M.A., "one of the curates"[113]
occ. Jan. 1624-5		Emmanuel Crewell, "one of the curates"
occ. 1634, '42, 1660	bur. 6 Dec. 1661	(Mr) Hugh Davis, "curate"[113]
	bur. 13 Nov. 1637	John Thompson, "one of the singing men"
	bur. 11 Ap. 1640	William Tomplis, "singing man and clerke"
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occ. c. 1650		John Nott[113]
Appd. 25 June 1651	resigned c. 1651	Richard Hincks[113]
Appd. 16 June 1652	resigned c. Nov. 1652	Richard Clayton M.A.?[113]
occ. Mar. 1656	promoted 1657-8	John Reynolds M.A.?[113]
occ. ?1653, 1662	bur. 5 Ap. 1666	(Mr) John Adams, "clerke of the church of W."[113]
	bur. 11 June 1667	Richard Williamson, "one of the curates"
occ. 1663 onwards	bur. 28 Mar. 1680	(Mr) Francis Williams, "one of the curates"[113]

?1662. occ. 1692	bur. 12 Mar. 1704-5	(Mr) John Balye, "curate of this church"[123]
	bur. 17 Oct. 1700	Francis Tayler, "one of ye church clerks"
occ. 1697-8	bur. 24 May 1701	William-Bayly Williams, "singing man & clark"
	bur. 4 May 1702	William Wakelin, "singing man in ye church"

BILSTON CHAPEL

It was certified in 1546 and 1548 that the chantry or free chapel of S. Leonard in the village of Bilston, which was distant 2 or 3 miles from the parish church of Wolverhampton, had been founded by Sir Thomas Erdington knt. for a priest to sing divine service there 3 days in each week: that the endowment was 5*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.* (with a house for the priest to dwell in, worth 4*s.*),[124] which was employed towards paying the priest's salary, 4*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.* and the tithe 10*s.* There was 10 oz. of white plate, and an inventory of other goods and ornaments, not valued, had been made (*a*). The return of 1548 mentions 9 oz. of partly gilt plate, ornaments worth 3*s.* 9*d.* and 4 bells in the steeple (*b*). This chapel is not named in the 1563 return.

On 1 August 1548 Richard Forsett, surveyor, took "for the king's use" the following goods belonging to the chapel, which ornaments he sold "to divers persons at Wolverhampton":

1 partly gilt chalice of 16 oz.; 2 images (1 silver, 1 stone); 1 partly gilt wooden cross; 1 piece of holy candle; 1 blue altar glass; 1 red altar cloth; 1 vestment marked with a cross; 4 iron candlesticks weighing 53 oz.; 30 gilt beads and rings; 1 priest's prayer book; 1 pair of shoes; 1 altar candlestick; 4 bells from the steeple.[125]

The inventory of 14 May 1553 shows that the four small bells remained in the steeple.

CHAPLAINS[126]

occ. 1533, 1537-8	d. 1540?	Edward Baker[127]

1666, occ. 1692 bur. 12 Mar. 1704-5	(Mr) John Bailye, "curate of this church" [122]
bur. 17 Oct. 1700	Francis Taylor, "one of ye church clerks"
occ. 1697-8 bur. 24 May 1701	William-Hardy Williams, "singing man & clark"
bur. 4 May 1702	William Wakelin, "singing man in ye church"

BILSTON CHAPEL

It was certified in 1546 and 1548 that the chantry or free chapel of S. Leonard in the village of Bilston, which was distant 2 or 3 miles from the parish church of Wolverhampton, had been founded by Sir Thomas Erdington but, for a priest to sing divine service there 3 days in each week, that the endowment was £4, 8s. 6d. (with a house for the priest to dwell in, worth 4s.),[123] which was employed towards paying the priest's salary, £4, 18s. 6d. and the tithe 10s. There was 10 oz. of white plate, and an inventory of other goods and ornaments, not valued, had been made (a). The return of 1548 mentions 9 oz. of partly gilt plate, ornaments worth 3s. 6d. and 4 bells in the steeple (b). This chapel is not named in the 1563 return.

On 1 August 1548 Richard Forsett, surveyor, took "for the king's use" the following goods belonging to the chapel, which ornaments he sold "to divers persons at Wolverhampton":

1 partly gilt chalice of 16 oz.; 2 images (1 silver, 1 stone); 1 partly gilt wooden cross; 1 piece of holy candle; 1 blue altar glass; 1 red altar cloth; 1 vestment marked with a cross; 4 iron candlesticks weighing 53 oz.; 30 gilt beads and rings; 1 priest's prayer book; 1 pair of shoes; 1 altar candlestick, 4 bells from the steeple.[124]

The inventory of 14 May 1553 shows that the four small bells remained in the steeple.

CHAPLAINS[125]

occ. 1533, 1537-8 d. 1540? Edward Baker[126]

24 Ap. 1543 ff.	occ. 1548	William Massye [128]
c. 1553	died c. 1559?	Clement Perrye [129]
c. 1560	died c. 1594?	John Lee [130]
? occ. 1604	bur. 20 Mar. 1629?	John Robbins [131]
	bur. 1 Feb. 1612-3	Richard Perrye [132]
occ. 1618	bur. 27 Dec. 1633	Ralph Digbey [133]
occ. 1651-2		Rich Hinckes [118]
	died Nov. 1659?	James Osborne? [134]
	occ. c. 1666	John Taylor [135]
occ. 1668	bur. 30 Oct. 1684	Charles Osborne [136]
1684	died 21 May 1730	Richard Ames [137]

HATHERTON CHAPEL

Not mentioned in 1546, 1563 or subsequently.

PELSALL CHAPEL

Certified in 1546 and 1548 to have been founded in the time of Edward II (actually in 1311) by William le Kev [138] to find a priest to sing daily divine service in the chapel of S. Peter in Pelsall for all Christian souls and for the ease of the inhabitants there, who dwell at least 4 miles (actually nearer 8) from their parish church of Wolverhampton; that its possessions were worth 5*l.* 1*s.* 0*d.* net per annum (*a*, *b*); that the priest's salary was 4*l.* 3*s.* 3*d.* (*a*) or 4*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* (*c*); that there was 5 oz. of white plate (and other goods and ornaments, not valued) (*a*) or 4 oz. of partly gilt plate ornaments worth 3*s.* 4*d.* and two bells in the steeple (*b*).

In the inventory of 14 May 1553 the churchwardens, William Shenston and Raffe Sanders, certify the presence of 2 bells, 1 silver chalice with paten; 1 pair of green dornick vestments; another pair of green Bruges satin, and 1 dornick cope had been delivered to Richard Forsett, surveyor.

Pelsall is the only chapel of this parish given in the 1563 return, when the householders numbered 14.

CHAPLAIN

occ. 1548	John Clowes (*c*)

24 Ap. 1543 ff.	occ. 1548	William Massye[121]
c. 1553	died c. 1559?	Clement Harye[121]
c. 1560	died c. 1594?	John Lee[121]
? occ. 1604	bur. 20 Mar. 1629?	John Robins[121]
	bur. 1 Feb. 1612-3	Richard Perye[121]
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CURATES

occ. 1604		a curate [139]
occ. 1611	bur. 23 Oct. 1622	Hugh Perkyns [140]
	(died 1649	Edward Lane)? [141]
occ. 1651-2	" ejected " 1662	William Wilson [142]
occ. 1665		James Haynes [143]

WILLENHALL CHAPEL

This was certified in 1546 and 1548 to have been founded by Richard Hampton and John Hampton (esquires) for one priest to sing daily service in the chapel of S. Giles here for the ease of the inhabitants of Willenhall and Bentley, who are some 3 miles distant from the parish church of Wolverhampton.

The net endowment is returned in 1546 at 5*l.* 2*s.* 5*d.* (*a*); in 1548 at 5*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* (*b*) and 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* (*c*); circa 1550 at 5*l.* 15*s.* 1*d.* (*r*); the salary of the priest in 1546 and 1548 at 4*l.* 12*s.* 3*d.* (*a, c*); and his pension in 1548 at 4*l.* 12*s.* 3*d.* (*p*). In 1546 there were 8 oz. of plate and " other goodes or small vtensills not valued " (*a*); in 1548 7 oz. of partly gilt plate, ornaments worth 4*s.* 6*d.* and 2 bells in the steeple.

This chapel is not mentioned in the 1563 return.

The founders of the chantry here, brothers otherwise known as John Gervase and Richard Gervase (adopting the surname of their father) of Wolverhampton, were members of a family seated at Dunstall by that town which can be traced there at least as far as the middle of the 12th century. Dunstall being part of the same manor as Willenhall may have led to their choice of that chapel for this foundation (Feb. 1328-9).

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In the same year there was discovered in the hands of

CURATES

occ. 1604		a curate [1]
occ. 1611	bur. 23 Oct. 1622	Hugh Perkyns [2]
occ. 1631-2 "elected" 1662	(died 1649)	Edward Lane; [3]
occ. 1665		William Wilson; [4]
		James Haynes [5]

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In the same year there was discovered in the hands of

Thomas Baylye and William Prestewood one chalice and a stock of 4*l.* in money belonging to this chapel; and one aisle of the chapel is reported as being covered with lead.[145]

CURATES

occ. 1533		Richard Grene[146]
occ. 1533		Richard Bradeley[146]
occ. 1535-48		Hugh Bromehall[147]
		. . . .
	bur. 13 Oct. 1604	John Lacye[148]
occ. 1609-10	bur. 24 June 1637	George Ridio B.A.?[149]
occ. 1639	bur. 25 Ap. 1643	James Pearse[150]
occ. 1651-2		Richard B . . . y[151]
occ. 1657	" ejected " 1662	Thomas Badland B.A.?[152]
occ. 1651	depr. Nov. 1674	Thomas Gilpin[153]
Nov. 1674	bur. 29 Feb. 1719-20	John Carter[154]

NOTES

[1] Notably *Stebbing Shaw*, II, 151, *seq.*, and his followers, Dr Oliver (1836), F. Hall (1865).

[2] *Oliver's Hist.* pp. 63-4.

[3] *Patent Roll* 4 *Edw. II*, pt. ii, m. 5; and *Oliver*, p. 46. The Inquisition on this matter is given in *S. H. C.*, 1911, p. 308.

[4] *Stebbing Shaw*, II, 161. " Pyper's " apparently suggests the private chapel of the Pipe family, who had used this chancel as a burying place for generations.

[5] *Harl. MSS.* 604, p. 145; 605, p. 75, and (*e*) (*r*).

[6] **Wallowes.** Granted a pension of 48*s.* in 1548 (*p*), which he was still getting in 1553 (*Stebbing Shaw*, II, 161). He was appointed " sacrist " by Queen Mary (*note* 85).

[7] *T. R. Mis. Bk.* 258, p. 143.

[8] **Wilkes.** Received a small bequest in August 1504 under the will of Helyn (*see next note*).

[9] *Inventory of* 1553. There would seem to have been some concealment previously. By his will dated Aug. 1504 Richard Helyn left 40 marks to buy a suite of vestments and three copes of black velvet. He was buried in Wolverhampton church (*P. C. C.* 16, *Holgrave*).

[10] *Oliver*, p. 187.

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[12] *Chan. Proc., Charles I*, L, Bundle 24, No. 28, *Lee* v. *Bradney*.

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[15] *Stebbing Shaw*, II, 155.

[16] *Erdesw.* ed. 1820, p. 263. This account of the church is followed by Dean Chr. Wren (*Ashm. MS.* 1125, Bodl. Libr.) and is partly used by *Stebbing Shaw*, II, 155.

[17] *Oliver*, p. 87.

[18] The most modern of the seals is of this period (*B. M. Cat.* No. 4359, and *Pl.* LXXII, 47). The silver matrix was purchased by the Brit. Mus. in 1868, and is there exhibited.

[19] None, however, survive until about the year 1680; the earlier ones, which are indexed, having (it is believed) been consumed by a fire in the chapter house.

[20] *List of Charities, Oliver*, p. 182.

[21] Cf. *Oliver*, p. 76; and the suit, *Wren and Callendrine* v. *Leveson*, *Chan. Decrees*, 1665, B, fo. 370.

[22] *Ashm. MS.* 1125, fr. 62b.

[23] *Bod. MS.* 323, p. 266; *S. P. Dom. Inter.* 123, p. 83.

[24] *Chan. Proc. Chas. I*, L, Bundle 24, No. 28, *Lee* v. *Bradney*, May 1647.

[25] *Comm. for Compounding*, G, vol. c, No. 417.

[26] *S. P. Dom. Inter.* V, CXXIII, p. 83; and cf. V, LXXIV, p. 73, No. 11.

[27] The fact that the deanery of Windsor was excepted from the provisions of the Chantry Acts had made the legal position of that of Wolverhampton somewhat uncertain, and Franklyn as dean attempted to lease out the property during this period (*Oliver*, p. 62). In consequence of the complaints against him for alienating the revenues of his churches, he was obliged to resign his deaneries apparently soon after his reappointment to Wolverhampton (*Cooper, Ath. Cant.* I, 141).

[28] **Carew.** *See D. N. B.* under Life of his son; *Wood's Fasti*, 58-9.

[29] **Thompson.** One of the translators of the Bible; *see Wood's Ath. Oxon.* II, 850-1.

[30] **Beaumont.** *See Fasti*, 367.

[31] **Algar**, Elgar. Clerk, magister, paid tax of 7*s.* 1¼*d.* for this prebend in 1533. In 1535 and at the time of his death resident at

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[33] Beaumont. See Fasti, 367.

[34] Algar, Elgar. Clerk, magister, paid tax of 7s. 1½d. for this prebend in 1533. In 1535 and at the time of his death resident at

S. Stephen's, Westminster; had property in Dorset and Somerset (will, *P. C. C.* 1536, F. 1, *Dyngeley*). Occurs *S. H. C.*, 1912, p. 34.

[32] **Thynne.** Esquire, leased his prebend at date named for 21 years (*S. H. C.*, 1912, 202).

[33] **Creswell** (Thos). Esquire, had a salary in 1548 of 7*l.* from this prebend (*c*) and received pension of 6*l.* (*p*). Perhaps elder brother of the following, in which case he died in 1560-1.

[34] **Creswell** (John). *S. H. C.*, 1910, p. 166. Probably also the "fermer of ye Prebend of Wobaston" at about this date under William Sale (*Lawley*, p. 35). Died 1593, will, *P. C. C.* 65, *Nevell.* Perhaps he only farmed this prebend, but his father, William Creswell, left him his lease of this prebend in 1561 (will, *P. C. C.* 13, *Loftes*).

[35] **Burton** (Samuel). A native of Wolverhampton, b. 1569. From Christ Church, Oxford (M.A. 1591, although elsewhere credited with the degree S.T.B.), he became rector of Marston Sicca (near Stratford-on-Avon) in 1594, where he appears to have resided until his death. He was a noted figure as archd. of Gloucester (1607) and a county magistrate for miles around. Bishop Corbett (*Iter Boreale*) describes him as a plump hearty fellow. He married Barbara dau. of Thomas Bushell esq. of Cleeve Prior. A relation of Dr Joseph Hall (q.v.), he drew his attention to Wolverhampton affairs (1610) and with him examined the state of the school in 1623 (*Mander*, 97-9, 104), and he appears in Bishop Hall's published correspondence. He made his will 7 Sept. 1630 (*P. C. C.* 113, *Seager*), perceiving in himself "a decay of nature by the craziness and indisposition of his sick body." He was buried as desired in the chancel of his church, where a large brass commemorates his manysidedness. (Occurs also *Shaw's Staffs.* II, 154; *Wood's Fasti*, I, 255.)

[36] **Addey.** *Shaw's Staffs.* II, 155.

[37] **Plymley.** Headmaster of the grammar school 1685 to 1710. *See Mander.*

[38] **Daye.** Clerk, magister, paid tax of 2*s.* 2½*d.* for this prebend in 1533, from which in 1548 he had a salary of 2*l.* and was granted a pension of this amount (*c*, *p*). He made a lease of his prebend (illegally as was afterwards adjudged) to John Leveson esq. for a reserved rent of 44*s.* 10*d.* per annum on 30 Nov. 1550 (*Hall and Cragge* v. *Leveson*, 1615). *Oliver*, p. 62. The Hatherton Prebend is not named in the *Valor.*

[39] **Leveson.** Esquire. It would seem likely that this was the prominent local magnate of this name who became lessee of most of the Wolverhampton church lands. A staunch Roman Catholic, he would thus obtain a voice in the chapter and be able to bring about the results which became a frequent source of litigation between the

college and his descendants. In his will (*P. C. C.* 56, *Pyckering*) he bequeaths 26*s.* 8*d.* yearly for repairing the church. There exists a fine altar tomb of his in the south transept.

[40] **Cragge.** Apparently of Trinity College, Camb., M.A. 1592. He joined Dr Hall in a chancery suit (heard 11 Nov. 1615) for the rent attached to their prebends which was not forthcoming; in this they were successful. (*Chan. Decrees*, 1615, A, ff. 243-4; *Wren and Callendrine* v. *Leveson, Bridges*, Bundle 40, No. 71—Feb. 1661-2.) Hall relates (*in his Life*) that " his partner in the suit " died while it was being tried.

[41] **Goodman.** Given as the successor to Cragge in *Wren and Callendrine* v. *Leveson*. Occurs in *Shaw's Staffs.* II, 154; made bishop of Gloucester in 1625, afterwards constantly in trouble for his high church opinions; died 19 Jan. 1655, a Roman Catholic (*Wood's Ath* II, 863-5, etc., and *D. N. B.*).

[42] **Callendrine.** Chiefly important to Wolverhampton for sustaining with Dr Wren a protracted Chancery suit on the lines of his predecessor Cragge, the whole question having been rejuvenated after the Restoration. The decrees in this suit extend from Feb. 1662-3 to May 1667, when their bill was finally dismissed. It is likely that he had died in the meantime as Wood (*Fasti*, I, 393) suggests. He is said to have been " by birth a German, by profession a puritanical theologist ": apparently a suitable set-off in this respect to Dr Goodman.

[43] **Fisher.** Occurs in *Shaw's Staffs.* II, 155.

[44] **Hillman.** Usher at the Grammar School from 1691 to 1720. (*Mander*, p. 182, etc.); also the Official.

[45] **Woodsense.** Clerk, magister, paid tax of 3*s.* 6½*d.* for this prebend in 1533, dwelt at Blore Ray in 1535. The salary was then 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

[46] **Jackson.** In 1548 his salary was 8*l.* 9*s.* 0¼*d.* (*c*) and his pension 6*l.* (*p*). Described as clerk in (*p*), apparently esquire in (*c*). Possibly identical with the vicar choral (*note* 101).

[47] **Aston,** Astyn. Occurs in Queen Mary's charter (*Oliver*, p. 187). Shaw (*Hist.* II, 154) reads the name " Astyn." The name suggests membership of the local family of Austin of Oxley.

[48] **Burton.** Clerk. As one of the leading townsmen, a James Burton signs letters connected with the business of the school in the years 1573, 1574 and 1609 (*Mander's School Hist.* pp. 41, 44, 62, 66), while at the latter date he is referred to as " the preacher," there seems no reason to doubt the identity. Both he and Grace his wife (d. 1614) were buried here; but he was also rector of Darlaston (q.v.). He left no will.

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[51] **Burton.** Clerk. As one of the leading townsmen, a James Burton signs letters connected with the business of the school in the years 1573, 1574 and 1609 (Mander's School Hist. pp. 41, 44, 65, 66), while at the latter date he is referred to as "the preacher," there seems no reason to doubt the identity. Both he and Grace his wife (d. 1614) were buried here; but he was also rector of Darlaston (q v.). He left no will.

[52] **Goade.** Not to be confused with his contemporary and fellow-collegiate Dr Goade LL.D., etc., Regius Prof. of Law in Cambridge.

Dr Hall spoke highly of him (1619). Fuller calls him "a great and generall Scholar, exact Critick, Historian, Poet (delighting in making of verses till the day of his death), School-man, Divine." *See also Fasti*, I, 374; *D. N. B.*

[50] **Hinckley.** Preb. of Gaia minor 15 Oct. 1673; had been "puritanically educated," but conformed; rector of Northfield, co. Worc.; buried there 17 April. It is stated on his monument that he "expended a great deal of money in defence of the rights of this (i.e. Northfield) church." An eloquent preacher. (*Wood's Ath. Ox.* IV, 432; *D. N. B.*)

[51] **Tomkys.** Of local parentage; vicar of Snitterfield, co. Warwick, where he was buried June 1703. He "left his study of books, to ye use of ye Curates of Bilston for ever." (*Lawley's Bilston*, p. 60.) He is supposed to have resigned this (poorer) prebend in favour of that of Monmore (*ibid.* p. 135). *See note* 66 and *Foster*.

[52] **Allestree.** Succeeded to this prebend from that of Wobaston (q.v.).

[53] **Edwards.** Clerk, magister, paid tax of 8*s.* 10½*d.* for this prebend in 1533; dwelt at Hereford in 1535.

[54] **Knowles,** Knolles, Knolle. Clerk. In 1548 he had a salary and received a pension of 6*l.* (*c, p*). At this rent he leased the prebend in 1550 for forty years (*Oliver*, 79 *note, following Answer in suit, de l'Angle* v. *Leveson*, 10 *Nov.* 1690).

[55] **Brooke.** There would appear little doubt that he was the 2nd son, and one of the 17 children, of Chief Justice Sir Robert Brooke of Claverley and Madeley, Salop. Born about 1539, he would be a mere boy in 1553, at which date, however, he is not styled "clerk." He later took Holy Orders and may have continued in this prebend until the close of the century. He became brother-in-law to Thomas Leveson of Wolverhampton, who had succeeded his father John as lessee of most of the church lands, and thus helped to establish another link in the control of this family over the church's endowment. Adam Brooke appears in effigy on his father's tomb (1558) in Claverley Church (*Brooke pedigree*: Harl. Soc. Publ. XXVIII, p. 81).

[56] **Bailey** (Wm). Vicar of Pattingham (1613-33). He had been attracted to Wolverhampton from Shrewsbury by marriage c. 1595. In 1605 he was a candidate for the post of headmaster of the Grammar School, but "gave over his suit," being able to live without it. *See Stebbing Shaw*, II, 154, and *note* 95.

[57] **Bailey** (Andrew). This prebend was certainly kept alive during the Interregnum, as 22*l.* per annum was charged upon the sequestered estate of Thomas Leveson esq. for "the person that then enjoyed the said Prebend" (*de l'Angle* v. *Leveson*, 1690). *See note* 92.

[58] **Durell.** An example of nepotism! The suit *de l' Angle* v. *Leveson*

Dr Hall spoke highly of him (1670). Fuller calls him "a great and generall Scholar, exact Critick, Historian, Poet (delighting in making of verses till the day of his death), School-man, Divine." See also *Fasti*, i, 374; *D. N. B.*

[55] **Hinckley.** Preb. of Cain minor 15 Oct. 1673; had been "particularly educated," but conformed; rector of Northfield, co. Worc.; buried there 17 April. It is stated on his monument that he "expended a great deal of money in defence of the rights of this (i.e. Northfield) church." An eloquent preacher (*Hoole's Diary*, 46, Oct. 17, 132; *D. N. B.*).

[56] **Tomkys.** Of local parentage; vicar of Sutterfield, co. Warwick, where he was buried June 1703. He "left his study of books, to ye use of ye Curates of Bilston for ever" (*Lindsey's Bilston*, p. 60.) He is supposed to have resigned this (poorer) prebend in favour of that of Monmore (*ibid.* p. 135). See note 66 and *Foster*.

[57] **Allestree.** Succeeded to this prebend from that of Wolaston (q.v.).

[58] **Edwards.** Clerk, magister, paid tax of 8s. 10½d. for this prebend in 1533; dwelt at Hereford in 1535.

[59] **Knowles, Knolles.** Clerk. In 1548 he had a salary and received a pension of 6l. (c. p). At this rate he passed the prebend in 1550 for forty years (*Oliver*, 79 note, following *Lawley in Suppl. de l'Aigle v. Lawson*, 10 *Nov.* 1600).

[60] **Brooke.** There would appear little doubt that he was the second son, and one of the 17 children, of Chief Justice Sir Robert Brooke of Claverley and Madeley, Salop. Born about 1539, he would be a mere boy in 1553, at which date, however, he is not styled "clerk." He later took Holy Orders and may have continued in this prebend until the close of the century. He became brother-in-law to Thomas Lawson of Wolverhampton, who had succeeded his father John as lessee of most of the church lands, and thus helped to establish another link in the control of this family over the church's endowment. Adam Brooke appears in clergy on his father's tomb (1558) in Claverley Church (*Brooke pedigree*, *Harl. Soc. Publ.* xxviii, p. 81).

[61] **Bailey (Wm).** Vicar of Tattinghall (1613-33). He had been attracted to Wolverhampton from Shrewsbury by marriage c. 1595. In 1605 he was a candidate for the post of headmaster of the Grammar School, but "gave over his suit," being able to live without it. See *Stebbing Shaw*, ii, 154, and note 95.

[62] **Bailey (Andrew).** This prebend was certainly kept alive during the Interregnum, as £24 per annum was charged upon the sequestered estate of Thomas Lawson esq. for "the person that then enjoyed the said Prebend" (*de l'Aigle v. Lawson*, 1600). See note 92.

[63] **Durell.** An example of nepotism! The suit *de l'Aigle v. Lawson*

shows that Andrew Durell was nephew to the dean, "who managed the revenue of the said prebend for him, he living very remote from the same." He was probably also from the island of Jersey and a graduate of one of the French universities. He " died suddenly of an apoplexy."

[59] **De l'Angle.** Chiefly important to this church for undertaking a Chancery suit in 1689 to recover the endowment of this prebend. He was not an entire stranger to the town, having appeared there 10 October 1685. His son John Maximilian continued the suit as his heir and executor in 1694, and the matter was apparently settled by arbitration. (*Decree*, 2nd May, 1694.) Samuel de l'Angle was a protestant refugee from France, famous as minister of Charenton (near Paris). Was also prebendary of Westminster, where (at S. Margaret's) he was buried. For his doctor's degree "withont paying any fees," *see Fasti*, II, 385. *See also Evelyn's Diary*, 17 June 1683; *Nichols' Lit. Anec.*, V, pp. 85, 89.

[60] **Reading.** *Oliver*, p. 82, *note*. Doubtless the rector of Gt. Haseley, Oxfordshire, 1685, and vicar of Stoke Poges, Bucks, 1687 (*Foster*).

[61] **Creton.** Clerk, magister, paid tax of 3*s.* 6½*d.* for this prebend in 1533, dwelt in 1535 at Little S. Bartholomew's, London.

[62] **Lynde.** In 1548 his salary was 8*l.* (*c*) and he was granted a pension of 6*l.* (*p*). Vicar of Wombourn 1535-55, will pr. 1555 (*P. C. C.* 25, *More*).

[63] **Fox.** Occurs in *Shaw's Staffs.* II, 154. Of S. John's Coll. Camb. S.T.B. (as fellow of S. Catherine's) 1584; though he is found styled " Dr." Preb. of Westminster 1606; rector of Hanwell, Middx, 1596 (*Fasti*, I, 389). Will (as D.D. preb. of Westm.) proved 1623 (*P. C. C.* 99, *Swann*).

[64] **Robbins.** Stated by Lawley (p. 36) to have been a prebendary of Monmore. He follows the MS. account of Richard Ames (*ibid.* p. 142), but confuses his persons and dates. The " Mr Hall " who looked after the manorial court of this prebend for him (while at Windsor) was doubtless Gervase Hall, " steward " of the town, who died in 1633. (*See note* 131.)

[65] **Chandler.** Occurs in *Shaw's Staffs.* II, 155. Perhaps some relation to William Chandler, vicar of Brewood 1634-45 (in which parish the name appears) and of Bushbury 1646-66? (q.v.).

[66] **Tompkys.** Given on the authority of Lawley (*Bilston*, p. 135); but it is clear from the dates that he was not holding this prebend at the time of his death. *See note* 51.

[67] **Ames.** Curate of Bilston 1684-1730. It is uncertain how long before 1702 he was prebendary, but he was senior prebendary in 1723 (*Lawley*, p. 63). His doings are fully set out in Lawley's *Bilston*, pp. 57 *et seq.*

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[41] **Reading.** Oliver, p. 82, note. Doubtless the rector of Gt. Haseley, Oxfordshire, 1685, and vicar of Stoke Poges, Bucks, 1687 (Foster).

[42] **Cretton.** Clerk, magister, paid tax of 3s. 6½d. for this prebend in 1535; dwelt in 1535 at Little S. Bartholomew's, London.

[43] **Lynde.** In 1548 his salary was 8l. (e) and he was granted a pension of 6l. (g). Vicar of Wombourn 1535-55 will pr. 1555 (P. C. C. 25, More).

[44] **Fox.** Occurs in Shaw's Staffs, ii, 154. Of S. John's Coll. Camb. S.T.B. (as fellow of S. Catherine's) 1584; though he is found styled "Dr." Preb. of Westminster 1606; rector of Hanwell, Middx, 1590 (Fasti, i, 389). Will (as D.D. preb. of Westm.) proved 1623 (P. C. C. 90, Swann).

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[46] **Chandler.** Occurs in Shaw's Staffs, ii, 155. Perhaps some relation to William Chandler, vicar of Brewood 1614-45 (in which parish the name appears) and of Bushbury 1640-60? (q.v.).

[47] **Tomkys.** Given on the authority of Lawley (Bilston, p. 135); but it is clear from the dates that he was not holding this prebend at the time of his death. See note 51.

[48] **Ames.** Curate of Bilston 1684-1720. It is uncertain how long before 1702 he was prebendary, but he was senior prebendary in 1722 (Lawley, p. 63). His doings are fully set out in Lawley's Bilston, pp. 57 et seq.

[68] **Leveson.** Luson, Lewson. Clerk, magister, paid tax of 7*s.* 1½*d.* for this prebend in 1533; probably a member of the local family of this name. He was "dwelling at Exeter with the bishop" in 1525; was chancellor there 1538 (*Foster*) and so found 1545 (*Chan. Cert.* 81, *under Crediton*) when he was given 5*l.* pension for his prebend of Pruscomb then surrendered. Having obtained the degree B.Civ.L. "beyond the seas," he petitioned for that of B.Can.L. at Oxford in 1532 (*Fasti*, I, 91). Among other preferments he (or one of the same name) became prebendary 1540, and treasurer of Hereford cathedral 1558 (*Foster*), which office he was holding when he made his will (proved 1583, *P. C. C.* 18, *Rowe*).

[69] **Horton.** In 1548 his salary for this prebend was 4*l.* 17*s.* 9½*d.* (*c*). Also preb. of Wigginton.

[70] **Meeke.** This is guesswork. Meeke was the sacrist, and Hall was appointed to fill the place made vacant by one just dead.

[71] **Hall.** Afterwards bishop of Exeter and Norwich; interested in this church by his kinsman Samuel Burton (*see note* 35), who "was very desirous to engage me in so difficult and noble a service as the redemption of that captivated church." The value of this prebend was then nine nobles a year, and after the successful termination of the suit this was raised to 40*l.*, and the others to 30*l.* while the lease lasted. An order in the House of Lords in Feb. 1640-1, on the appeal of Thomas Leveson, apparently stopped these payments pending an action of ejectment at the Common Law (*vide Answer, Wren and Callendrine* v. *Leveson*, 1662). Bp Hall gives full details of the matter in his autobiography, and the findings and dates are given in *Chancery Decrees*, 1615, A, ff. 243-4, *the Bill and Answer in Hall and Cragge* v. *Leveson* being lost. For Life *see D. N. B.*

[72] **Lee.** Hall writes in his Life (1824 edn. p. liv) that he resigned this prebend in favour of "a worthy preacher, Mr Lee, who should constantly reside there, and painfully instruct that great and long neglected people, which he hath hitherto performed with great mutual contentment and happy success.' Lee appears here as "publike preacher" in 1623 (*Mander*, p. 98); his "sermon preached at Pauls" printed in 1625, and a reference to him as Secondary of the Poultry Compter in 1627 (*ibid.* 107), point to activities farther afield. Patron of Bushbury in 1626. *See note* 89.

[73] **Wren.** Installed at Wolverhampton by proxy (*Chan. Decrees*, 1665, B, f. 370). The rent of the prebend having been withheld from him, he filed a Bill in Chancery to recover it. This resulted in the whole suit of his predecessors being tried again, and continued where the former one left off. In the common law action which resulted, the plaintiffs Wren and Callendrine were non-suited and the higher rental obtained by Dr Hall was lost (*Bill dated* 5 *Feb.* 1661-2; *Answer*

dated 31 *Oct.* 1662; *Decrees from* 19 *Feb.* 1662-3 *until* 22 *May* 1667). He was second son of Matthew Wren (formerly dean); also Med.D. and F.R.S. and "much addicted to music." Afterwards archdeacon of Ely, etc. (*Fasti*, II, 234).

[74] **Fulham.** Canon of Lichfield 1673, as was also his father Edw Fulham D.D., who died Dec. 1694; hence the query as to identity. The name occurs in *Shaw's Staffs.* II, 155. *See Foster* and *Fasti*, II, 237.

[75] **Hinton.** Occurs in *Oliver*, p. 82, *note*, and *Lawley*, p. 63. Afterwards sacrist, and for a short time (as it seems) official. This and the fact that the deans of Windsor usually held the living of Haseley, Oxon., might identify him with the native of that place who was B.C.L., "vicar of Great Milton, Oxon., 1693-1724" (*Foster*). He was buried, however, at Wolverhampton 31 Oct. 1723.

[76] **Bellet,** Belleter. Clerk, magister, paid tax of 6*s.* 8*d.* for this prebend in 1533, resided at Exeter in 1535.

[77] **Sampson.** Gentleman. Foster (q.v.) notices the probable connection between the graduate (1515) of this name and the prebendary of Wolverhampton.

[78] **Sale.** B.A. Oxon. 1541; M.A. 1556; described as late preb. of Wobaston when appointed vicar here by the commissioners on the dissolution of the college in the reign of Edw VI (*Grants*), but was reinstated in this prebend by Mary. He subscribed in 1559 and was rector of Quatt 1547-69, master of S. John's Hospital, Lichfield, from 1560, preb. of Weeford 1563-88, and died "one of the Canons Resident of Lichfield Cathedral," where he desired to be buried. His will is remarkable for the benefactions to his various parishes; that to Wolverhampton finds record in *Oliver*, p. 181 (will, *P. C. C.* 49, *Rutland*).

[79] **Gurrey.** Appears to have been M.A. of Christ's Coll. Camb. (1593). His name occurs in *Shaw's Staffs.* II, 154.

[80] **Allestree.** Matriculated 1654 S. John's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1662; author (as Rector of Ashow, co. Warw.) of *Three Sermons preached at Coventry, in December last*: 1670 (*Arber's Term. Cat.* I, 79). These sermons were reprinted in 1692. He continued to hold a prebend and apparently the post of "official" after he had left Wolverhampton in 1696 (*vide Lawley*, pp. 58, 61, 73), when he became rector of Hamstall Ridware, where a mural tablet records (*Shaw's Staffs.* I, 159) he "was a minister of the church of England 54 years. He composed 500 sermons and preached above 5000 times. He dyed ye 30 of June 1715, in the 78 year of his age." A son, Thomas, entered Repton School in 1676, and died next year. He was preb. of Ufton cantoris 1689-91 and of Curborough 1691-1715. *See note* 97.

[81] **Ashley.** Mentioned by *Oliver*, p. 82.

dated 31 Oct. 1662; Decree from 19 Feb. 1662-3 until 22 May 1667). He was second son of Matthew Wren (formerly dean), also Mad.D. and F.R.S. and "much addicted to music." Afterwards archdeacon of Ely, etc. (Fasti, II, 254).

[73] **Fullam.** Canon of Lichfield 1672, as was the father Edw. Fullam D.D., who died Dec. 1694; hence the query as to relationship. The name occurs in Shaw's Staffs. II, 155, see Fasti and Fasti, II, 237.

[74] **Hinton.** Occurs in Oliver, p. 82, note, and Cawley, p. 89. Afterwards sacrist, and for a short time (as it seems) official. This and the fact that the deans of Windsor usually held the living of Hasely, Oxon., might identify him with the native of that place who was B.C.L., "vicar of Great Milton, Oxon., 1693-1724" (Foster). He was buried, however, at Wolverhampton 31 Oct. 1723.

[75] **Bellet,** Bellster. Clerk, magister, paid tax of 6s. 8d. for the prebend in 1533, resided at Exeter in 1535.

[77] **Sampson.** Gentleman. Foster (q.v.) notices the probable connection between the graduate (1515) of this name and the prebendary of Wolverhampton.

[78] **Sale.** B.A. Oxon. 1541; M.A. 1556; described as late preb. of Wolvaston when appointed vicar here by the commissioners on the dissolution of the college in the reign of Edw. VI (Grants), but was reinstated in this prebend by Mary. He subscribed in 1559 and was rector of Quatt 1567-69, master of S. John's Hospital, Lichfield, from 1560, preb. of Weeford 1563-88, and died "one of the Canons Resident of Lichfield Cathedral," where he desired to be buried. His will is remarkable for the bequests to his various parishes; that to Wolverhampton finds record in Oliver, p. 181 (with, P. C. C., 49, Rutland).

[79] **Gurney.** Appears to have been M.A. of Christ's Coll. Camb. (1593). His name occurs in Shaw's Staffs. II, 252.

[80] **Allestree.** Matriculated 1654 S. John's Coll. Camb., M.A. 1664; author (as Rector of Aslow, co. Warw.) of "Five Sermons preached at Coventry, in December last: 1670" (Allen's Trans. Cod. I, 70). These sermons were reprinted in 1692. He continued to hold a prebend and apparently the post of "official" after he had left Wolverhampton in 1696 (vide Cawley, pp. 58, 61, 73), when he became rector of Hamstall Ridware, where a mural tablet records (Shaw's Staffs. I, 150) he "was a minister of the church of England 54 years. He composed 500 sermons and preached above 3000 times. He died ye 30 of June 1715, in the 78 year of his age." A son, Thomas, entered Repton School in 1676, and died next year. He was preb. of Ulfton cantoris 1689-90 and of Carbonnah 1691-1715 (see 89).

[81] **Ashley.** Mentioned by Oliver, p. 82.

[82] **Raby.** Was living in Wolverhampton, where he had property and relations, when he made his will 1 April 1599, being then "fowerscore yeares old." He was probably the graduate (at one time fellow) of Peterhouse, Camb., M.A. 1549, and the Mr Raby who was dismissed from the mastership of the Grammar School at Wolverhampton in 1573 (*Mander*, pp. 33-5, 38, where it is suggested that the holding of other preferment was the cause of his inattention to the school). His grandson Raby Lane occurs in the school list of 1609, aged 10 (*ibid.* 374). His residence here points to some office at the collegiate church. Rector of Himley, 1577-1602.

[83] **Miller.** Described as "Mr Henry Miller one of the Prebends of this Church" in the register of burials, 26 Jan. 1669-70. He may be identical with a cleric of the same name of Ryton, Salop (occ. 1650-1).

[84] **Sale.** *See note* 78. Appointed vicar 20 July 1548 (*Grants*).

[85] **Wallowes.** *See note* 6. Appointed sacrist Dec. 1553.

[86] **Meeke.** Styled merely "sexton of Wolverhampton" (*Par. Reg.*).

[87] **Skinner.** Clerk, occurs in *Shaw's Staffs.* II, 154. In par. reg. is termed "Mr John Skinner sextan."

[88] **Diott.** A child of his bapt. at Wolverhampton in August 1637; but during the wars he retired to Darlaston (q.v.), where he died. In his will dated 29 June 1653, and proved 8 July 1662 at Lichfield, he desired to be buried in the chancel of Darlaston Church, and states that on the death of his father Antonie Diott esq., who had died intestate, he had "purchased letters of administration of all the goods, moveables, leases, chatells and the rest of the emoluments apperteyninge or aniehowe belonging to the said Antonie at the time of his decease," and after certain "suites at law" he had recovered the following sums of money from his father's debtors, viz., 30*l.* from the duchess of Le meux?, 200*l.* from "mistress Marie Derbishier" and 120*l.* from "the occupantes whose names were Bill for two termes att Rosson," co. Derby, all of which sums his brother Sir Rich Diott kt. had "received and converted to his own use," although Antonie "by an act executed in his lifetime" did "passe unto the said Sir Richard all his goodes and moveables within doores and without att and about Lichfield upon consideration of raysinge certain portions for the sustenance and subsisteance of his younger children," whereof he (Robert) should have had 400*l.* or an annuity of 40*l.* until the 400*l.* was paid, not one penny of which had he received from his brother Sir Richard; wherefore he (Robert) left "whatsoever is hence due" to him "or possiblie maie be gained or recovered" as well as everything else that he possessed to his wife Catherine, whom he made sole executrix of his will. Witnessed by Rich Baylie, Walter Horton and John Eccleshall.

[82] Raby. Was living in Wolverhampton, where he had property and relations, when he made his will 1 April 1590, being then "lower-score years old." He was probably the graduate (at one time fellow) of Peterhouse, Camb., M.A. 1549, and the Mr Raby who was dismissed from the mastership of the Grammar School at Wolverhampton in 1573 (*Mander*, pp. 33-5, 38, where it is suggested that the holding of other preferment was the cause of his institution to the school). His grandson Raby Lane occurs in the school list of 1609, aged 10 (*ibid.* 374). His residence here points to some office at the collegiate church. Rector of Himley, 1577-1602.

[83] Miller. Described as "Mr Henry Miller one of the Prebends of this Church" in the register of burials, 26 Jan. 1606/7. He may be identical with a clerk of the same name of Ryton, Salop (*see* 1630-1).

[84] Sale. See note 78. Appointed vicar 20 July 1594 (*Grant*).

[85] Wallowes. See note 60. Appointed sacrist Dec. 1553.

[86] Meeke. Styled merely "sexton of Wolverhampton" (*Par. Reg.*).

[87] Skinner. Clerk, occurs in *Shaw's Sta/fa.* ii, 194. In *par. reg.* is termed "Mr John Skinner sextan."

[88] Diott. A child of his bapt. at Wolverhampton in August 1637; but during the wars he returned to Darlaston (q.v.), where he died. In his will dated 29 June 1653, and proved 8 July 1662 at Lichfield, he desired to be buried in the chancel of Darlaston Church, and states that on the death of his father Antonio Diott esq., who had died intestate, he had "purchased letters of administration of all the goods, moveables, leases, chattels and the rest of the emoluments appertaynyng or anielowe belonging to the said Antonio at the time of his decease," and after certain "suites at law" he had recovered the following sums of money from his father's debtors, viz., 30*l.* from the duchess of Le meux, 200*l.* from "mistress Marie Derbishier" and 120*l.* from "the occupiers winne mures were Bill for two termes att Rosson," co. Derby, all of which sums his brother Sir Rich Diott Kt. had "received and converted to his own use," although Antonio "by an act executed in his lifetime" did "passe unto the said Sir Richard all his goodes and moveables within doores and without att and about Lichfield upon consideration of ravsinge certain portcons for the sustenance and subsistence of his youngest children," whereof he (Robert) should have had 400*l.* or an annuity of 40*l.* until the 400*l.* was paid, not one penny of which had he received from his brother Sir Richard; wherefore he (Robert) left "whatsoever is hence due" to him "or possible maie be gained or recovered" as well as everything else that he possessed to his wife Catherine, whom he made sole executrix of his will. Witnessed by Rich Bayle, Walter Horton and John Eccleshall.

[89] **Lee,** *See note* 72. On 10 June 1646 the committee for plundered ministers granted him 100*l.* per annum from the sequestered estate of Colonel Thomas Leveson and stated that he was a godly and orthodox divine, who had been a prebendary here and as such had been a consistent, diligent and painful preacher in the parish church till he was suspended by archbp Laud, while the rest of the prebendaries neglected their cures there. (*Bod. MS.* 323, p. 266b; *S. P. Dom.* 123, p. 83.) His handwriting is noticeable in the parish register from the beginning of Aug. 1646 until the end of May 1647. His brother, Leonard, was "enjoying" the lease of his prebend of Willenhall from May 1639 till May 1647 when the Chancery proceedings *Lee* v. *Bradney* commenced. His son, John, was ejected from his fellowship of Merton College by the Parliamentary visitors in 1648 (*Foster*). His will is dated 9 June 1647; pr. *P. C. C.* 1650, 96 *Pembroke*; it is chiefly of family interest, but the bequest of a sum to purchase a pair of virginals which he had promised his daughter should absolve him from too Puritanical leanings.

[90] **Sparry.** "A godly and orthodox divine" was appointed by the committee for plundered ministers to succeed Lee at the same salary (*Bod. MS.* 325, p. 221). Appointed "parrishe Register" in Sept. 1653 (*Oliver*, p. 131, and *Par. Reg.* vol. II). His petition for the payment of his salary has been noticed above. He frequently certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry (*Lamb. MSS.* 998, p. 73; 996, p. 218, etc.). His salary was re-granted him on 10 May 1654 (*ibid.* 973, p. 677). On leaving the town in 1658, he appears in the neighbourhood of Stourbridge, to which place he had gone—he was ejected from Martley (*Calamy*)—and he attested with his successor Reynolds the act of Divine vengeance on John Duncalf of Kingswinford in 1677 (*Shaw's Staffs.* II, 231). He influenced the spiritual career of John Reynolds, junior, while a school-boy at Stourbridge, who afterwards wrote (*His Life*, ed. 1735, pp. 12, 20) "Mr Ambrose Sparry's Ministry was sweet to my Soul's Taste." He was probably of Clare Coll. Camb. (M.A. 1637), his sons were at Oxford. A notice of him appears in Baxter's Autobiography, part iii, 91.

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[93] **Paston.** Occurs at the date given as "minister"; he appears to have been succeeded by Thomas Allestree (*see note* 97). *See* **Kingswinford.**

[94] **Bracegirdle.** Francis Burton, usher at the Grammar School, seems to have had the offer of this post of "Chapter Clerke" (as he called it) in Nov. 1677 (*Mander*, p. 156), but he was not allowed to hold it. Henry Bracegirdle apparently obtained it instead (*see his father's M. I.* 1677—*Oliver*, p. 115), though he does not make his presence felt in the parish register until about 1691. He is noted for having kept the sacrist's portion of the endowment out of lease "for the good of his successors" (*Shaw's Staffs.* II, 155) and his benefaction to the church (*Oliver*, p. 184).

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ceeded his father in this position, which he held at the time of his death (*Mander's School Hist.* pp. 286, etc.). His son Andrew Bailey, junior, was probably the curate at Tettenhall. For his grandson, William-Bayly Williams, *see note* 122.

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[102] **Penforde.** Most probably the priest of this name buried at Brewood in 1574. The name is a local one. He left no will.

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[104] **Baynes,** Banes. Vicar choral for Featherstone Prebend in 1548, when his salary of 5*l.* (*c*) was changed into a pension of this amount (*p*) He was also S. Mary's priest here (*Shaw's Staffs.* II, 160; *Oliver*, p. 127) and no doubt as such paid a tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* in 1533. Perhaps the "secular chaplain," B.Can.L. 1534, mentioned by Foster.

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William Creswell of Wolverhampton 20 Feb. 1559-60 (*P. C. C.* 13, *Loftes*). Subscribed in 1559 as T. Braddocke.

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[115] **Littleton.** Described as minister when his son was baptized in May 1648. *See* **Acton Trussell.**

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[118] **Hinckes.** *S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. ii, 518. In the winter of 1651-2 he was the minister of Bilston chapel and soon afterwards became minister of Tipton (q.v.).

[119] **Cleyton.** Appointed by the committee for plundered ministers on 16 June 1652 (*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. ii, p. 518). On 10 May 1654 the trustees reported that Sparry needed the assistance of Cleyton because the parish was very large and contained several chapelries for the maintenance of which no provision had been made up to this time. (*Lamb. MS.* 973, p. 677.) "Dorothy the wife of Mr Richard Cleyton one of the ministers of Wolverhampton" was buried there on 2 Nov. 1654 (*Par. Reg.*). In the same year he was appointed one of the ministers to assist in the removal of scandalous ministers. (*Commonwealth Ordinances*, II, p. 982.) He married 2ndly at Walsall "Mrs Elizabeth Cock of Plimmouth," Devon, 27 Nov. 1655 (*Entered in Wolverhampton Par. Reg.*). A daughter married in June 1656. *See* **Seighford.**

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[120] **Reynolds.** His name and writing appear in the registers of this time, when he styles himself " Preacher of the Word at Wolverhampton." *See note* 91.

[121] **Adams.** Cicely wife of " Mr John Adams " was buried 1 April 1655; a child of " John Adams, clark " was baptized 6 Sept. 1662. *See* **Coppenhall.**

[122] **Williams.** Married the daughter of Mr Andrew Bailey, 18 June 1663, and had issue " William-bailye one sonn of ffrancis Williams," bapt. 5 May 1670. Mary wife of " William-Bayly Williams, Clerk of ye Church," was buried 28 Feb. 1697. Francis Williams, curate at the collegiate church of Wolverhampton, was ordained deacon by Bp Hackett on 9 July 1664 (*Dioc. Reg.*).

[123] **Balye** (John). Ordained by Bp Hackett at Lichfield, deacon 13 July 1662; priest 26 July 1663 (*Dioc. Reg.*). Ann wife of Mr John Bayly, curate, was buried 11 Nov. 1692.

[124] The net value of this endowment is given in 1546 as 5*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.* (*a*), in 1548 as 5*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (*b*) and as 5*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.* (*c*), and circa 1550 as 5*l.* 14*s.* 11*d.* (*r*).

[125] *Lawley's Hist. Bilston*, pp. 30-2. Lawley (pp. 25-6) prints a copy of the original charter of Erdington's foundation (31 Aug. 36 Hen. VI, 1458). He claims and attempts to show (on architectural grounds, p. 105) that this chapel, dedicated to S. Leonard, was in existence in the 14th century. The charter itself, however, does not imply anything more than that certain provision was made for the endowment of a chaplaincy at a newly erected chapel (*ibid.* pp. 25-6). *See also Oliver*, pp. 54-5.

[126] Lawley (*History of Bilston*, 1893) collects details concerning some of the clergy here. But his statements, which are sometimes wild, often inaccurate, or quite incorrect, need to be treated with caution. Much of his work is taken from the voluminous notes of that painstaking enquirer Richard Ames (curate 1684-1730), who had access to original documents now lost (*Lawley*, p. 37, etc.).

[127] **Baker.** Paid a tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as priest here in 1533. He or the priest of the time is said to have obtained a prebend at Wolverhampton on the dissolution of this chantry by the commissioners (of 1548), though they reported him guilty of unlawful practices (*Lawley*, pp. 29-30). Occurs 1538, *S. H. C.*, 1912, pp. 107-8; " aged 50 years." *See also Oliver*, p. 60.

[128] **Massye.** Had been vicar choral for the Prebend of Codsall (Tettenhall). He is probably the priest to whom the notes in Lawley about the dissolution refer. His salary in 1548 was 5*l.* 3*s.* 3*d.* (*c*) and he received a pension of 5*l.* from 1548 (*p*, *q*). Mentioned as living in the priest's mansion house here in Feb. 1548-9 (*T. R. Mis. Bk.* 258, p. 143).

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125 **Bayle** (John). Ordained by Bp Hacket at Lichfield, deacon 13 July 1662 and priest 26 July 1663 (*Diec. Reg.*). Ann wife of Mr John Bayly, curate, was buried 11 Nov. 1692.

126 The net value of this endowment is given in 1540 as £4. 6d. (*a*), in 1548 as £4. 12s. 4d. (*b*) and as £4. 4s. 3d. (*c*), and circa 1550 as £4. 14s. 11d. (*v*).

127 Lawley's *Hist. Bilston*, pp. 30-2. Lawley (pp. 25-6) prints a copy of the original charter of Erdington's foundation (31 Aug. 30 Hen. VI, 1452). He claims and attempts to show (on architectural grounds, p. 105) that this chapel, dedicated to S. Leonard, was in existence in the 14th century. The charter itself, however, does not imply anything more than that certain provision was made for the endowment of a chaplaincy at a newly erected chapel (*ibid.* pp. 25-6). See also Oliver, pp. 54-5.

128 Lawley (*History of Bilston*, 1893) collects details concerning some of the clergy here. But his statements, which are sometimes wild, often inaccurate, or quite incorrect, need to be treated with caution. Much of his work is taken from the voluminous notes of that painstaking enquirer Richard Ames (circa 1684-1730), who had access to original documents now lost (*Lawley*, p. 37, etc.).

129 **Baker.** Paid a tax of 5s. 4d. as priest here in 1533. He or the priest of the time is said to have obtained a preferment at Wolverhampton on the dissolution of this chantry by the commissioners (of 1548), though they reported him guilty of unlawful practices (*Lawley*, pp. 29-30). Occurs 1538, S. R. C., 1012, pp. 102-3: "aged 50 years." See also Oliver, p. 60.

130 **Massye.** Had been vicar choral for the Prebend of Codsall (Tettenhall). He is probably the priest to whom the notes in Lawley about the dissolution refer. His salary in 1548 was £4. 3s. 3d. (*c*) and he received a pension of £4. from 1548 (*b*, *g*). Mentioned as living in the priest's mansion house here in Feb. 1548-9 (T. R. Mis. Bk. 258, p. 143).

[129] **Perrye** (Clement). According to Mr Ames, he had been at the Halesowen monastery. Ordained deacon Feb. 1531 (*Lawley*, p. 33).

[130] **Lee,** Atte Lee. Said to have been a strong protestant, " to the annoyance of George Carew, the popish dean of Windsor and Wolverhampton " (*Lawley*, p. 34). One of this name vicar choral in 1533 (*note* 98).

[131] **Robbins.** *See note* 64. The Puritan Return of 1604 states that the curate here (not named) was no preacher, and had no salary reserved. The date and place of his burial in Wolverhampton church, as given by *Lawley* (p. 37), cannot be confirmed, there being no record of burials for the years 1627—July 1629, and he appears to have made no will. Perhaps of Emmanuel Coll. Camb., matric. 1588, or curate of Enville 1569.

[132] **Perrye** (Rich). The appearance of this man and his successor during Robbins' presumed tenancy is odd, unless accounted for as *locum tenens*. Perry is described as " the Reader of Bylston " in the Wolverhampton register of burials.

[133] **Digbey.** Described as " Mr Ralph Digbey Reeder of bilston " in the Wolverhampton register. Elizabeth his wife was buried 15 June 1618.

[134] **Osborne** (James). Given on the authority of *Lawley* (pp. 52-3); but there is no record of his burial at Wolverhampton. *See* **Barton, Tatenhill.**

[135] **Taylor.** As minister certifies the Hearth Tax return c. 1665.

[136] **Osborne** (Chas). Not mentioned by Ames, and therefore not in *Lawley*. Described as " Mr Charles Osborne curat of bilston " in register of baptisms Aug. 1668; and " minister at Bilston " in 1684. Referred to in *Shaw's Staffs.* II, 163, as grandfather of a wealthy quaker of the same name. Perhaps of King's Coll. Camb., matric. 1639.

[137] **Ames.** *See note* 67.

[138] William le Kev (or Cu) was tenant of the Dean at Pelsall. The enquiry preparatory to the licence to found this chantry (*S. H. C.*, 1911, 309) was held on 6 July 1311.

[139] **Curate.** Not named, no preacher, salary 4*l.* (1604 *return*).

[140] **Perkyns.** Children of " Mr Hughe Perkyns " are found in the Wolverhampton register from Dec. 1611 to 1619. He was buried at Walsall.

[141] **Lane.** A clerk of this name of Pelsall, buried at Norton Canes (will pr. 12 June 1649—*P. C. C.* 96, *Fairfax*). Probably the curate of Aldridge 1620 and of West Bromwich 1643-8.

[142] **Wilson.** *See* **Himley.**

[143] **Haynes.** As minister certifies the Hearth Tax return here c. 1665.

[144] The pedigree traced in Shaw (*Staffs.* II, 173-4) is substantially correct. Mr F. W. Hackwood has collected a number of facts concerning this chapel in his *Annals of Willenhall* (1908), pp. 32, 52, 112. On p. 120 are given details of the re-endowment of the curate here about 1550. His information is somewhat buried in "padding."

[145] *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 125, p. 124, No. 33; and cf. p. 123, No. 14, where the heading Kings Bromley is erroneous. *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 123, p. 190, No. 17 (Thos Baylye is here called Botycliff).

[146] **Grene** and **Bradeley.** Both paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as priests here in 1533. Bradeley afterwards became chantry priest at Walsall.

[147] **Bromehall,** Bomall, Bromall. He is styled "chaplain" (*Oliver*, p. 59).

[148] **Lacye.** He is styled "Sir John Lacye curatt of Willenhall" in the Wolverhampton burial register. The puritan return of 1604 says he was no preacher, and had no stipend reserved. The endowment of the Willenhall chapel, as determined in 1608, is dealt with fully by *Hackwood*, chapter 21.

[149] **Ridio.** The name—a rare one—is variously spelt. He occurs as "vicar of Willenhall" in 1609-10 (*Mander*, p. 69). Children of his were baptized at Wolverhampton in 1613-14 and 1616-17, where also he was buried. Doubtless B.A. of Clare Hall, Camb., 1598-9; and connected with Margery Riddio, widow of Gilbert Riddio, citizen and merchant-taylor of London, whose will appears among those of Wolverhampton in 1602 (*P. C. C.* 70, *Montague*).

[150] **Pearse.** Styled "chaplain of Willenhall" (*Baptisms* 1639) and "Curat of one of our Chappells of ease at Willenhall" (*burial entry* 1643). These last three curates are not mentioned by Hackwood, who records the appearance of an apparently fictitious William Padmore D.D. in 1609 (p. 95).

[151] **B . . . y.** Only the first and last letters are legible. Occurs as minister in the winter of 1651-2 (1651-2 *return*).

[152] **Badland.** Possibly B.A. of Oxford, had an augmentation of 20*l.* per annum (*Shaw*, II, p. 594; *Lamb. MS.* 993, p. 108) or 24*l.* (*ibid.* 994, p. 142). He appears in the Wolverhampton marriage register, Dec. 1659, Feb. 1659-60 and July 1661 (autograph). He afterwards went to Worcester, where he died 5 May 1698, aged 64 (*Hackwood*, pp. 62-3). He was contemporaneous with and probably deputy assistant of Reynolds at Wolverhampton, whose fitness he certified (*Lamb. MS.* 998, p. 198). Many interesting facts about him will be found in W. Urwick's *Nonconformity in Worcester*, 1897.

[153] **Gilpin.** A son of a certain "docter Gilpin" was buried July 1651 at Wolverhampton; Elizabeth daughter of "Mr Thomas Gilpin, clerke" was baptized there 1 Jan. 1652-3; Thomas son of Mr Thomas Gilpin was born 31 March 1654; a son of "dockter Thomas

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[149] Riddle. The name—a rare one—is variously spelt. He occurs as "vicar of Willenhall" in 1609-10 (*Marder*, p. 94). Children of his were baptised at Wolverhampton in 1613-14 and 1616-17, where also he was buried. Dunbiggin B.A. of Clare Hall, Camb., 1593 q; and married with Margery Riddle, widow of Gilbert Riddle, citizen and merchant-taylor of London, whose will appears among those of Wolverhampton in 1602 (P. C. C. 70, *Montague*).

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Gilpin" was buried in Jan. 1663-4 and children of "Mr Thomas Gilpin" are baptized from June 1661 onwards. The document proclaiming his dismissal is printed in *Oliver*, p. 179, which is followed by *Hackwood*, pp. 96-7.

[154] **Carter.** Buried in the chancel of Wolverhampton church, aged about 70. "He was of very peaceable deportment and authodox principles. . . . He never married" (*Mr Ames quoted in Lawley's Bilston*, p. 72).

WOMBOURN

In 1563 a vicarage, with one chapel of ease at Trysull, in Lapley D., formerly appropriated to Dudley Priory, which was a cell of Wenlock Abbey.

Ch. Orn., 15 May 1553: 1 partly gilt silver chalice with paten; 2 copes, 1 of baudekin, 1 of dornick; 2 pair of vestments with all things thereto belonging; 1 maslyn cross; 4 bells (*s*); 2 sacring bells. **Ch. wds.:** Robt Amys & Robt Foxall.

Patrons: *See S.H.C.*, vi, n.s., pt. ii, pp. 279, 280, xvii, p. 225; 1561-1604 Edw lord Dudley.

VICARS

occ. 1533	w.p. 26 Jan. 1534-5	John Walker [1]
1 Jan. 1534-5	ob. May 1555	Wm Linde [2]
31 Aug. 1555	ob. 1559?	Geo Webbe [3]
	1560	no vicar [4]
28 Dec. 1561	w.p. 23 Oct. 1592	Rich Garbett [5]
15 Dec. 1592	bur. 19 Aug. 1632	Anthony Hamnett [6]
31 Aug. 1632	res. 16 May 1652	Ithiel Smart M.A. [7]
18 May 1652	depr. 1662	Thos Willesby M.A. [8]
6 Feb. 1662-3	w.p. 27 Oct. 1690	John Dolman M.A. [9]

THE PRIEST'S SERVICES

Certified in 1546 that a stipendiary priest had been endowed by Rich Hurst to sing divine service within Wombourn parish church, that his salary was 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* net and that there were no plate or goods belonging to this service (*a*). A certificate of 1548 states that a priest's service was founded by John Bloxwich and afterwards by Agnes Penn alias Webb, who had given lands worth 1*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* net p.a.; that it was further endowed with one cow worth 10*s.* given by David Flodde, with 2 sheep

worth 2*s.* 8*d.* given by Eliz Coke, and with one sheep worth 1*s.* 4*d.* given by John Whorwood (*b*). Another certificate of this year gives this priest's salary at 1*l.* 14*s.* 10*d.* net (*c*), and circa 1550 the net value of this service is stated at 2*l.* 3*s.* 8½*d.* (*r*). Finally three returns made about 1553 of lands hitherto concealed from the knowledge of the Crown state that there belonged to this service a house and lands in Wombourn let to Benet Woodhouse jun. at 6*s.* 8*d.* or 6*s.* 4*d.* p.a., certain lands and pastures in Rushall and Walsall let to John Heath & others for 36*s.* or 30*s.* p.a., and 1 acre called " Our Lady Acre " in Chapel field let to Edmond Cartwright for 6*d.* p.a. (*h, l, n*). The writer infers from these somewhat contradictory statements and the 1533 return that there really were two services for priests here, one founded by Hurst, the other by Bloxwich.

INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533-48	Thos Bradshaw [10]
occ. 1533	Robt Thomas [11]

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In 1563 a chapel in Wombourn parish.

Ch. Orn., 15 May 1553: 2 partly gilt silver chalices with patens; 1 velvet vestment; 2 chamblet copes, 1 red, 1 blue; 3 bells (*s*); 1 lych bell (*s*); 2 little sacring bells. **Ch. wds.:** Rich Shenton & Robt Sherley.

CURATES

occ. 1533-55?	Geo Webbe [3]
occ. 1620	— Aston
occ. 1625	Edw Holliman M.A. [12]

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Reported in 1548 that Agnes Webb alias Penn had left lands worth 8*s.* 8*d.* net p.a. for a priest to sing (mass) in the parish church (*sic*) there and to pray for her soul and all Christian souls and that there were no plate or goods belonging to the service (*b, r*).[13]

INCUMBENT

occ. c. 1546	Roger Nicolles (*b*)

worth 2s. 8d. given by Elis Coke, and with one sheep worth 1s. 4d. given by John Whorwood (b). Another certificate of this year gives this priest's salary at 1l. 14s. 10d. net (c), and circa 1550 the net value of this service is stated at 2l. 3s. 8½d. (d). Finally three returns made about 1553 of lands hitherto concealed from the knowledge of the Crown state that there belonged to this service a house and lands in Wombourn let to Benet Woodhouse jun. at 6s. 8d. or 6s. 4d. p.a., certain lands and pastures in Rushall and Walsall let to John Heath & others for 36s. or 30s. p.a., and 1 acre called "Our Lady Acre" in Chapel field let to Edmond Cartwright for 6d. p.a. (f, g, h). The writer infers from these somewhat contradictory statements and the 1533 return that there really were two services for priests here, one founded by Hurst, the other by Bloxwich.

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[3] **Webbe.** Paid tax of 6*s.* 2½*d.* as curate of Trysull in 1533; mentioned as such in two local wills in 1545; instituted 31 Aug. 1555 to the vicarage of Wombourn vacant by the death of Linde on the presentation of John Grainger and John Shenton of Trysull, yeomen; subscribed 23 Sep. 1559; probably died that autumn (*see next two notes*).

[4] Vicarage vacant at Xmas 1559 and in 1560 (*Subsidies* 19-507, 508).

[5] **Garbett.** Instituted to Wombourn cum Trysull on death of Webbe (*Dioc. Reg.*). *See* **Enville.**

[6] **Hamnett.** Scholaris ruralis, in sacris litteris bene exercitatus; no preacher, pluralist (1604 *return*), ordained priest by Wm Overton and instituted the same day. Vicarage worth 26*l.* in 1604.

[7] **Smart.** M.A. 1624 Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*), signed testimony 1648; described as a godly and orthodox divine 1 July 1646 by the committee for plundered ministers when it granted him 50*l.* p.a. from the impropriate rectory of Trysull sequestered from Sir Rich Leveson, delinquent, as his living was but 30*l.* p.a. (*Bod. MS.* 323, pp. 267, 357, 358.) On 5 Oct. 1647 the committee ordered the sheriff, deputy lieutenants and justices of the peace for co. Stafford to assist Smart to get payment of this augmentation. (*Bod. MS.* 325, p. 216.) The amount is given as 40*l.* in *S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1, p. 79.

[8] **Willesby.** M.A. 1642 Emman. Coll. Camb. (*Venn*); certified the fitness of candidates for the ministry in 1655 (*Lamb. MS.* 996, p. 218); in receipt of an augmentation of 60*l.* p.a. circa 1658-9, then described as of Trysull (*Lamb. MSS.* 981, p. 22; 994, p. 142); paid subsidy of 2*l.* in Jan. 1661-2, then described as of Wombourn; deprived 1662 (*Dioc. Reg.* and *Calamy*).

[9] **Dolman.** *See* **Brewood.**

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[12] **Holliman.** Ordained priest on 13 Mar. 1624-5 and is then described as curate here. He became rector of Quatt, Malvern, 20 May 1626.

[13] *Aug. Mis. Bk.* 522, pp. 41-6.

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INCUMBENTS

occ. 1533	Rich Raunystall[15]
occ. 1533-48	Thos Mason[16]

NOTES

[1] **Jonson,** Jhonson. Paid tax of 36*s.* as rector in 1533.

[2] **Stockley.** Fellow of All Souls 1506, M.A. 1509, warden 1533-6 (*Foster*).

[3] **Whyddon.** M.A. 1563 Ox., fellow of Exeter Coll. Ox. 1573, received dispensation to hold two livings 16 May 1562 (*S. P. Dom. Eliz.* vol. LXXVI), rector of North Bovey 1562, of Combe-in-Teignhead 1572, of Haccombe 1575, all in co. Devon; canon of Exeter 1567; archd. of Totnes 1568; will pr. 10 Dec. 1580 (in London?) (*Simms*).

[4] **Barbor.** Fellow of All Souls 1539, warden 1565-71, B.C.L. 1540, D.C.L. 1565, vicar choral of Chichester 1541, of Windsor 1543; canon of Lincoln 1552, rector of Wappenham, Northants, 1553, archd. of Bedford, of Leicester, treasurer of Lichfield, etc. (*Foster*).

[5] **Waterhouse.** Ordained priest by Wm Overton on 26 Nov. 1589, i.e. after his institution here. He matric. 1581 at S. John's Coll. Camb., B.A. 1583-4 Cath. Coll., M.A. 1587 (*Venn*). In 1593 an M.A., in sacris litteris bene exercitatus et gregem suum laudabiliter instruens. In 1604 a pluralist, preacher and non-resident. This rectory was then worth 60*l.*

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INCUMBENTS

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NOTES

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[9] **Marburye.** As curate witnessed will of Katherine Dudley of Yoxall 22 Dec. 1551. (*S. H. C.*, x, pt. ii, p. 93.)

[10] **Parker.** Occurs as curate here in the will of Nich Fletcher, pr. 1552, and as such paid subsidies of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1558 and 1568 (19-506, 516). He subscribed in 1559 and may have been chaplain at Shenstone.

[11] **Pyckeryng.** Occurs as curate here in the will of Robt Shelton, pr. 1556.

[12] **Hatton.** As curate here paid subsidies of 6*s.* 8*d.* in 1573, 1576 and 1578 (19-522, 526, 528).

[13] **Robynson.** Paid the same in 1586 (19-533).

[14] *Accounts*, 6829-33.

[15] **Raunystall.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as chantry priest here in 1533.

[16] **Mason.** Paid tax of 5*s.* 4*d.* as chantry priest here in 1533, received a pension of 16*s.* 2*d.* on 10 Sep. 1548, which was paid up to about 1560 (*Accounts*, 6829-33).

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Church Eaton, Wm Stiche, left c. 1545, died at Haughton 1556.

Eccleshall, Geof Gosling, occ. 1548, vicar of Eccleshall 1558, res. 1565.

Kingsley, John Berdmore, occ. 1543–8 (*p.*), remained as schoolmaster, occ. as curate there 1571.

Kinver, Wm Poole, occ. 1548 (*p.q.*). (Occ. as vicar of Chebsey 1558) ?

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John Beche	Kings Bromley, 1542–4	Rector of Maer 1558 ?–69, or vicar of Sheriff Hales 1556–86.
Thos Bourne	Walsall, Bloxwich chapel, occ. 1533–48 (*p.*).	Rector of Blymhill 1552–5.
Thos Dobson	Walsall, occ. 1544–8	Assist. curate of Walsall 1548.
Edw Fletcher	Lichfield, 1541–8 (*p.*)	Curate at Dunston chapel 1553, and vicar of Rugeley 1558–64.
Wm Fletcher	Tettenhall, 1542–8	Curate at Checkley 1580.
Thos Fox	Salt chapel, occ. 1548 (*p.*).	Vicar of Penn 1554–72.
Rich Harvy	Lichfield, 1541–8 (*p.*)	Vicar of Caverswall 1563–?
Edw Hill	Walsall, 1542–8 (*p.q.*)	Curate of Shareshill, occ. 1553.
Hen Hilton	Lichfield, 1545–8 (*p.q.*)	Preb. of Ryton 1545–?
John Legge	Drayton Bassett, occ. 1553–48 (*p.*).	(Curate of Hints) ? ob. 1559.
Rich Mason	Lichfield guild pst, occ. 1548.	(Vicar of S. Mary's, Lichfield, 1553–5) ?
Wm Norman	Leigh 1543–7 (*p.*)	Rector of Blithfield 1550–73.
Wm Ridware	Walsall, occ. 1533–48 (*p.*).	Rector of Swynnerton 1556–70.
Thos Sale	Stafford Castle chapel, occ. 1548 (*p.*).	Vicar of Penkridge 1548–? Vicar of Wednesbury 1555–8.
Thos Smith	Burton-on-Trent, 1538–47 (*p.*).	Curate of Burton, occ. 1560–76.
Wm Starysmore	Walsall, occ. 1533–48 (*p.q.*).	Vicar of Wednesbury 1548–52.
Hen Sydall, B.D.	Lichfield, 1534–48	Canon of Ch. Ch. Ox., etc., etc.
Thos Tunstall	Wolstanton, occ. 1533	Died curate there 1565.
Edm Walker	Hopton chapel, occ. 1548 (*p.q.*).	Rector of Aldridge 1557–75
Wm Walker	Marchington, occ. c. 1547.	Rector of Handsworth 1571–1602.
John Wallows	Wolverhampton, c. 1547 (*p.*).	Sacrist there 1553.
Hen Wylshawe	Lichfield, occ. 1528–48 (*p.*).	Preb. there 1553–63.

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Thos Bourne	Walsall, Blocwich chapel, occ. 1533–48 (p.).	Rector of Hywyssh 1554–5.
Thos Dobson	Walsall, occ. 1541–3	Assist. curate of Walsall 1543.
Edw Fletcher	Lichfield, 1541–3 (p.)	Curate at Tamworth chapel 1551, and vicar of Rugeley 1555–9.
Wm Fletcher	Tettenhall, 1543–8	Curate at Chebsey, 1560.
Thos Fox	Salt chapel, occ. 1543 (p.).	Vicar of Ivon 1554–72.
Rich Harvy	Lichfield, 1541–8 (p.)	Vicar of Caverswall 1564–7
Edw Hill	Walsall, 1543–8 (p.p.)	Curate of Sharesill, occ. 1559.
Hen Hilton	Lichfield, 1543–8 (p.p.)	Prob. of Ryton 1564–7
John Legge	Drayton Bassett, occ. 1553–48 (p.).	(Curate of Hints) ? ob. 1559.
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Thos Smith	Burton-on-Trent, 1548–72 (p.).	Curate of Burton, occ. 1560–70.
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Leonard Bowdon, Colwich (*p.*), Wolseley chapel.
Rich Bradeley, Walsall (*p.*).
Thos Bradshaw, Wombourn (*p.*).
Roger Crockington, Lichfield (*p.*).
Roger Feldhouse, Lichfield (*p.*).
John Fenton, Stoke, Newcastle (*accounts*).
Rich Genny, Lichfield (*p.*).
Robt Greves, Leek (*p.*).
John Hare, Lichfield (*p.*).
Rich Hart, Lichfield.
John Hill, Burton (*p.*).
Edw Hornyhold, Tutbury Castle chapel (*accounts*).
Rich Janyns, Wednesbury (*p.*).
Rich Knott, Lichfield (*p.*).
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Peter Mervyn, Lichfield (*p.*).
Robt Morley, Lichfield.
Roger Nicholles, Trysull.
Rich Osylocke, Lichfield (*p.*).
Robt Parker, Walsall (*p.*).
Robt Parrott, Tamworth Hospital (*p.*).
John Sale, Penkridge, Bickford chapel ?
Robt Sande, Lichfield (*p.*).
John Sandland, Lichfield (*p.*).
(John Shepherd, Tamworth) ? (*p.*).
Thos Smyth, Walsall (*p.*).
Wm Smyth, Hanbury, Newborough chapel (*accounts*).
Wm Spittell, Enville (*p.*).
Wm Stafferton, Stafford (S. Leonard's chapel) (*p.*).
Rich Tatton, Lichfield (*p.*).
Ralph Telryche, Stoke, Newcastle, S. Mary's chapel (*accounts*).
John Trafford, Norton Canes (*p.*).
John Trafford (Stafford) (*p.*).
Ralph Vernon, Stoke, Newcastle (*accounts*).
Hen Waren, Tatenhill, Dunstall chapel (*accounts*).
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Ralph Terryche, Stoke, Newcastle, S. Mary's chapel (accounts).
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Ralph Vernon, Stoke, Newcastle (accounts).
Hen Waren, Tatenhill, Dunstall chapel (accounts).
Rich Wayne, Uttoxeter (accounts).

Wm Wiatt, Tettenhall (*p.*).
Geo Woodward, Rolleston, Anslow chapel (*accounts*).
John Wright, Elford (*p.*), died at Tamworth 1578
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?Audley. S. Katherine.
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*Blore Ray. Service there in 1533.
Blymhill. A priest's service.
Bramshall. Our Lady.
Brewood. A priest's service.
(Brewood. The priests of the Black and White Ladies.)
Bushbury. Our Lady.
Cheddleton. Our Lady.
*Clifton Campville. Trinity.
*Colwich. Our Lady.
Drayton Bassett. S. Nicholas.
Ellastone. Our Lady.
Kingstone. Our Lady.

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Mucklestone. A priest's service.
?Norton Canes. S. Margaret's.
Penkridge. Morrow Mass.
Penkridge. Trinity.
Rugeley. Our Lady.
Stoke-on-Trent. Our Lady.
?*Stoke-on-Trent. S. Nicholas.
*Burslem. (Service there in 1533) ?
Stoke-on-Trent, Newcastle. Trinity.
?*Stoke-on-Trent, Norton. Our Lady.
Stone. Our Lady.
*Stowe by Chartley. (Service there in 1533) ?
?Tamworth. Our Lady.
?*Tettenhall. S. Thomas.
Walsall. Guild.
Wolstanton. Our Lady.
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Bradeley	Billington.

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Eccleshall	Charnes.
(Enville	Lutley) ?
Gnosall	Chatwall.
Gnosall	Knightly.
Kingswinford	S. Anne.
(Kinver	Whittington) ?
Leek	Meerbrook.
Leigh	Field.
Madeley	Onneley.
Norbury	Weston Jones.
Penkridge	Levedale.
Seighford	Derrington.
Shenstone	S. Peter-in-Lynn.
Sheriff Hales	Burlaughton.
Stone..	Burston.
Stone..	Tittensor.
Tamworth	Wigginton.
Tatenhill	Dunstall.
Uttoxeter	Crakemarsh.
Uttoxeter	Loxley.
(Wolstanton	Kidgrove) ?
Wolverhampton	Hatherton.

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Haselour.	Whitgreave.
Lichfield, Hammerwich.	Wolstanton, Thursfield.
Penkridge, Dunston.	Wombourn, Trysull.
Sheen.	

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Ecclesball	Charnes.
(Enville	Lutley) ?
Gnosall	Chatwall.
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Kingswinford	S. Anne.
(Kinver	Whittington) ?
Leek	Meerbrook.
Leigh	Field.
Madeley	Onneley.
Norbury	Weston Jones.
Penkridge	Levedale.
Seighford	Derrington.
Shenstone	S. Peter-in-Lynn.
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Stone	Burston.
Stone	Tittensor.
Tamworth	Wiggington.
Tatenhill	Dunstall.
Uttoxeter	Crakemarsh.
Uttoxeter	Loxley.
(Wolstanton	Kidgrove) ?
Wolverhampton	Hatherton.

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1. "To retorne prisoners again by the first day of the next (Michaelmas) Terme, in case in the meane tyme they shold not bring good testimonye from the Buisshoppe of their diocese of the(ir) conformitie in Religion."

2. "To make their repaier" to the said bishop within five days after their return and "after that once every monithe at the least," and "make offer unto him of conference in Religion to be resolved in those pointes that they stande in doubte of," either by the bishop himself or "by such other lerned men as he shall appointe for that purpose."

3. Not to "use any communicacion or argumentes against the presente state of Religion established in this realme, nor by writing or any other acte induce any others to opinion contrarye to the said Religion," except at the aforenamed conference.

4. Not to "suffer any unnecessary repaire of people to their howses, nor in any wise suche as be of the contrarie Religion, nor suche as be knowen to absent themselfes from their parishe churches, neither shall they make any jornies or metinges abrode to or with such persons as be noted to be of the contrarie Religion," but to remain at home unless "it shalbe to resorte to places requisite for folowinge of their cawses for which they do desire this libertie."

The bishop was also required "not only to use all good meanes to reduce them to conformitie but also to have an eye . . . to see how they behave themselves."[1]

In the autumn of 1577 Bishop Bentham was called upon by the Privy Council to make a return of the recusants in his diocese with an estimate of their annual income in lands and goods. With this return he sent a letter dated from Eccleshall Castle 10 Nov. 1577, in which he says: "I have herewith

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returned an answere unto your honor's letters with that spede and diligence that in such shortnes of tyme I coulde. Wherin accordinge to Your honor's appoyntement I have had and used the opinion and judgement of Mr Trentham and Mr Bagott for the state of Staffordshire, which I find to be so small in myne opinion that where they geve any (estimate) I sett yt downe rather secretlye then in sighte, beinge bolde to signifye unto your honors myne owne opinion and judgement of theym (the recusants) in open vewe, whitch I take to be rather to littell then to moche, consideringe their states and doynges, which I have knowen above this xviten yeres, so that yt ys in your honors wysdome better to consider of the same."[1]

On 1 February 1577–8 he sent up a much fuller and more complete list "of all such persons, gentlemen and others within the countye of Stafford, which come not to the church to heare Divine Service," together with a revised estimate of their annual income, which in many cases was double that of his previous estimate. Even with this return he was not altogether satisfied and wrote thus to the Privy Council: "I perceave the case to be of great difficultie, for that I can fynde few trustie to deale withe and fewer willinge to utter what they knowe. Yet I have sett downe nothing with owte the opinion of one or other which knew their states better then I."[2]

A list of the Staffordshire recusants mentioned by Bishop Bentham in his two returns and the estimates of their annual income from lands made by Messrs Trentham and Bagott—printed here within brackets—and of their total income from both lands and goods made by the bishop in his last return. Only an approximate estimate is given in each case, which is made indifferently in pounds or marks; the latter estimates are here given roughly as pounds—e.g., 100 *marks as* 67*l.*, 200 *marks as* 133*l.*, *etc. In those cases where only the wife of a man is named, the estimate is that of the income of her husband.*

*Recusants who are known to have been imprisoned for their obstinacy are here marked with a *, but they are not so marked in the returns.*

Audley.—*Wm Maxfield, gen., and Ursula, his wife (5*l.*), 77*l.*

Berkswich.—*Bryan Fowler, esq., J.P., and Jane, his wife, Walter, his son (40*l.*), 400*l.*; Geo Sydwaye, his servant.

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Bradeley.—*Wm Stapleton, gen. (4*l.*), 110*l.*; John Stapleton, gen. (53*s.* 4*d.*), 72*l.*; Eliz Horte and Agnes Willonson, their servants.

Brewood.—Lady Ursula Giffard, wid. (20*l.*), 167*l.*; *John Giffard, esq., J.P., and his wife (40*l.*), 600*l.*; Geoffrey Somerford, gent., 500*l.*; Wm Dale and his wife, 40*l.*; Thos Adderley, 30*l.*; Rich Wolssley, 20*l.*

Checkley.—Francis Greene, late proctor or collector for the "Lovanystes" or "Lovenistes" (7*l.*), 100*l.*

Colwich.—*Erasmus Wolseley, esq., and Cassander, his wife (27*l.*), 400*l.*

Draycott.—*John Draycott, esq., and Eliz, his wife (40*l.*), 900*l.*

Eccleshall.—Thos Persall, esq., and Jane, his wife (40*l.*), 700*l.*; Agnes Sergeant, wid. (10*l.*), 200*l.*; Margaret Cotterill, a poor widow, nil.

Grindon.—Edmund Draycott, gen., and his wife, 67*l.*; Thos Cotton and his wife, 100*l.*

Hamstall Ridware.—*Sir Thos Fitzherbert, kt., 667*l.*; *Rich Fitzherbert, esq., and Mary, his wife (3*l.*), 100*l.*; Wm Abell, Rich Alsoppe, John Knolles, *Rich Twyford and Eliz, his wife, their servants; Thos Arnold and Margery, his wife; Anne Baylie; Alice Baylie, Thos and Agnes, her children, 40*l.*; Joane or Katherine, wife of Thos Bankes, 13*l.*; John Bridgeman; Wm Bridgeman and Maud, his wife, 20*l.*; Katherine, wife of Thos Caterbanke, 13*l.*; John Collier and Margaret, his wife, 40*l.*, Wm Hall, their servant; Eliz, wife of Geo Cooke, 20*l.*; Maud Coxson, wid., *Thos and Ann, her children, 10*l.*; Roger Gretton and Alice, his wife; Rich, their son, 40*l.*; Thos Gretton and Eliz, his wife, 10*l.*; Wm Knolles and Agnes, his wife, 40*l.*; Maud, wife of Anthonie Knolles, 20*l.*; Cicelye Maskerye; Maud, wife of Wm Poker, 20*l.*; Agnes, wife of Wm Tonge, 40*l.*; John Typper; Margaret, wife of John Wade; Thos, their son, 20*l.*; Hugh Wryght. All these were tenants or servants of the Fitzherberts.

Sence, wife of Nich Blackwall, gen., 105*l.*; Hen Wryght, their servant.

Leigh.—Philip Draycott, gen., and Jane, his wife, 100*l.*; John Conway and Ellyn, his wife, 40*l.*; Agnes, wife of . . . Lee, 40*l.*; Eliz, wife of . . . Sherrett, 40*l.*

Longdon.—" My lord Pagett thought never to com unto the churche nor any of his servants."

Maer.—Ralph Maxfield, gen., and Ellyn Maxfield, his wife, John and Humphrey, their sons, Margery, Margaret and Katheryn, their daughters (20*l.*), 240*l.*

Mucklestone.—Thos Dorrington and Ellyn, his wife, 133*l.*

Pattingham.—Geo Cockeram, 100*l.*

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The schedule attached to this letter gives the names of these recusants and the amounts they were prepared to pay. The first entry is given in full:

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[2] S. P. Span. printed calendar, p. 670.

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"In primis: Whether do you know or have known any seminarists or massing priest, fugitive or recusant, who have any goods, chattels, leases, lands or tenements within the towns aforesaid or that have had any such goods, chattels, lease, lands or tenements within the space and since the beginning of the Queens Majesty's reign that now is, year one.

"Itm.: When did you know any and every such person to be in the said town and who had received them and how long they continued there. And where they now remain, as you know or hear say.

"Itm.: Whether do you know of any person or persons that have and enjoy or that had and enjoyed any of the goods, chattels, leases or household stuff, lands or tenements of any of the said seminarists or massing priests and fugitives or recusants and what is their names that have and enjoy or have had and enjoyed the same. And by what right, title, conveyance, ofference, gift, state or interest whatsoever.

"Itm.: Whether do you know of any conveyance made by the said (persons) of any goods, chattels or leases, lands and tenements. And to whom was the same made. And to what use and for whose and how many several persons benefits or profits or what have you heard of any and every such.

"Itm.: Whether do you know who doth receive and who hath received the profits of the goods, chattels, leases, lands and tenements of the (said persons) within the said towns. And how long they have had the same. And how the profits thereof hath from time to time been employed. And what have you heard of any such thing.

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After my right hearty commendations. Upon the receipt of your last letter and certificate concerning the recusants within the co. of Stafford, I could not be resolved whether the affection you bear to her Majesty's service or the favour you show to those bad members of her state and commonwealth should be the greater. Neither can your doings prove clear from suspicion of indifference herein, unless you accuse yourselves of negligence in execution of those special affairs wherewith you have been charged. For, expecting perfect notice from you of those persons which are of value obstinate and not so obstinate, answerable to the contents of my former letters, I find the trust reposed in you so corrupted as, if my own knowledge could not reveal more worthie apprehension than your barren certificate hath brought forth, her Majesty's commandment might return frustrate.

If I betray your slender care now extant to the lords of the Privy Council, my doings were but just, yet hardly could you avoid the danger of this dalliance. It can be accounted no better when through silence wise men do wilfully incur the suspicion of other mens faults, when authority commandeth them to make the same manifest, thinking belike with smoke to clear my eyesight or with straw to repress the flame which cannot be hid.

Consider then a little better for whom your service is employed, for what respect you are called to it and by whom you are directed.

Be more willing hence forth to make amends, otherwise I must discharge my duty and will not fail to charge you with forgetfulness of yours towards her Majesty.

Commanding you hereby jointly and severally in her Highness's name to apprehend all and every of those recusants hereafter named[1] and commit them forth with together with these several warrants here enclosed to such persons as the same are directed.

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It is quite clear from these statements and the preceding lists that this list is not a complete list of the recusants at this date, but it gives some indication of the parishes in which recusancy was most prevalent and materially supplements the scanty information about the obstinate recusant families, which is given in the preceding lists.

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Abbots Bromley.—Margaret Phillips, wid., Matilda Banckes, wid.

Aldridge.—Many recusants 1604. Edw Stamford, gen., and Sibil, h.w.

? *Alton* (Denston).—Thos Chetwind, gen.

Audley.—Wm Macclesfield, gen.

Bednall.—Many recusants 1604.

Berkswich.—Isabel, w. of Geo Stapleton, gen.; Isabel Stapleton, wid.; Wm Minors, gen.; Frances, w. of Edw Mynors; Joan Snow, sp.; Agnes Dickenson, sp.; Wm Barnesley, lab.

Biddulph.—Divers recusants 1604.

Bradeley.—Some recusants 1604.

Brewood.—Very many recusants 1604. John Gifford, esq., and Jocosa, h.w.; Wm Robert, yeo.; Joan Dale, wid.; Dorothy Smith, sp.; John Sothern, lab.

Bushbury.—Many popish, many recusants 1604. Eliz Harper, sp.

Butterton.—Joan Salt, Ann Thornbury, sp.

Cannock.—Almost all papists, as is commonly seen in the jurisdiction of the dean and chapter 1604. Eliz, w. of Thos Tounckes, yeo.

Cheadle.—Philip Draycott, esq.; lady Ann Butler, the wife of John Draycott; Thos Redferne, yeo.; Alice Lee, sp.; Dorothy Thornbury, sp.

Cheddleton.—Robt Leigh, yeo.; Joan Boulde, wid.

Church Eaton.—Some recusants 1604. Joan Bolte alias Stone, sp.; Margery Sherratt alias Lonne, sp.

Clifton Campville.—Ann, w. of Walter Heveningham, esq.

Colwich.—Some recusants 1604. Erasmus Wolsely, esq.; Wm Stapleton, gen., and Maria, h.w., of Fradswell; John Winockcle and Isabel, h.w., lab.; Joan, w. of Thos Plant, lab.; [1]Ralph Uppingham, lab.; Alice Blythe, sp.

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Ellenhall.—Mich Brozen, yeo.; Francis Fourde, yeo.; Frances Fourde, sp.

Farewell.—Many popish 1604.

Gnosall.—Alice James, wid.; [1]Isabel Blount, wid., fugitive.

Hamstall Ridware.—Many popish recusants 1604. Rich Fitzherbert, fugitive; Thos Collyer, clerk; John and Agnes Knolles; Matilda, w. of Wm Poker.

Hanbury.—Edmund Conwey, yeo.; Margaret, w. of Thos Hodgekinson, yeo.

Handsworth.—Some recusants 1604. Ann, w. of Robt Stamford, esq.; Dorothy, w. of Vincent Pedurte, yeo.; Rich Lorde; Margery Spurrier, sp.

Harborne.—Margaret Lane, wid.

Hints.—. . . Serjaunt, gen.; Katherin Chetwin, wid.; Margaret, w. of Wm Lee; Margaret (blank), sp.; Thos (blank), lab.

Ilam.—Dionisia Barbor, sp.

Ipstones.—Jas Fourde, yeo., and Philippa, h.w.

Kingswinford.—Geo Lytleton, gen.

Lapley.—Some recusants 1604. Alice, w. of John Brindley, yeo.

Leek.—Jane Ruddyard, sp.; John Sutton, alias Pyncke, yeo.

Leigh.—Many recusants 1604. Francis Alte, yeo.; Jocosa Clark, sp.; Alice Conway, sp.; Edw Conway, husb.; Francis Conway, lab.; Wm Faldringe, lab.; Francis Ley, yeo.; Geo Ley, husb.; John Ley, husb.; Eliz and Alice Ley, sps.

Lichfield.—Many popish 1604.

Longdon.—Some recusants 1604.

Maer.—Robt Hamlyn, yeo.

Mucklestone.—Ann, w. of John Needham, gen.; Wm Eletton, yeo.; Rich Eletton, yeo.; Elen, w. of Thos Dorrington, yeo.; Jane, w. of Robt Acton, yeo.; Elen Eyton, sp.

Norton Canes.—Many popish 1604.

Pattingham.—Geo Cockeram, gen.

Penkridge.—Recusants: men 4, women 14, in 1604. Eliz, w. of Wm Turner; Eliz or Isabel Harte, wid.; Alice Norton, sp.; Thos James, lab. (Dunston); Edw Lynes, weaver (Coppenhall).

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Handsworth.—Some recusants 16o4. Ann, w. of Robt Stanford, esq.; Dorothy, w. of Vincent Pedarte, yeo.; Rich Lorde; Margery Spurrier, sp.

Harborne.—Margaret Lane, wid.

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Ham.—Dionisia Barber, sp.

Ipstones.—Jas Fourde, yeo., and Philippa, h.w.

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Rocester.—Margaret, w. of Thos Madley, yeo.; Joan, w. of Thos Greene.

Rugeley.—Some recusants 1604.

Sandon.—Sampson Erdeswick, esq.

Seighford.—Some recusants 1604.

Sheen.—Joan Johnson, sp.

Shenstone.—Some recusants, many popish 1604.

Stafford Castle Church.—Many recusants 1604.

Stafford, S. Mary and S. Chad.—Many recusants 1604. Felicia, w. of David Lane, Wm Willington, yeo. or lab., and Elen, h.w.; Margaret Willington, sp.; John Fonte, button-maker.

Stoke-on-Trent.—Edw Vise, yeo.; Wm Picken, yeo. (Whitmore); Joan, w. of John Wright, yeo.; Jocosa Rowley, wid. (Norton-in-the-moors).

Stowe.—John Wright, yeo. (Hixon).

Swynnerton.—Francis Gattacre, esq.

Tamworth.—Many recusants 1604. Margaret, w. of Thos Day; John Freeman, lab.; John Keelinge, lab.; Joan Sadler alias Nicklyn, sp.; Joan, w. of John Shemans, yeo.; John Simmondes, draper; Grace Simmondes, sp.; Isabel Tomlynson, wid.; Eliz Tomlynson, sp.

Tatenhill.—Margery Rowley, sp. (Wichnor).

Tipton.—Thomasina, w. of John Harris, lab.

Tutbury.—Some popish 1604. Margery Mathew, sp.

Uttoxeter.—Some recusants 1604. Martha, w. of Rich Langford, esq.; Margaret Warte, sp.; Elianor Yate, sp.

Walsall.—Many recusants 1604. Walter Whittall, gen.; Edw Birche, yeo., and Rosa, h.w.; Andrew Smyth, yeo.; Ann, w. of Wm Gorway, yeo.; Cassandra, w. of Thos Holland, yeo.; Margaret, w. of Rich Jorden, yeo.; Maria, w. of Robt Smythe, yeo.; Rich Garden, lab.; Alice Stone, sp.

Wednesbury.—Some recusants 1604. John Comberford, gen.; Margaret, w. of Wm Comberford, esq.; Edw Bragge, weaver; Alice Draper, sp.

Weeford.—Some recusants 1604.

West Bromwich.—Many popish 1604. Symon Ryder, yeo., and Margaret, h.w.; Alice, w. of Wm Sheppard, yeo.

Weston-on-Trent.—Some recusants; rectory approp. to Mr

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Tatenhill.—Margery Howley, sp. (Wichnor).

Tipton.—Thomasina, w. of John Harris, lab.

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Uttoxeter.—Some recusants 1604. Martha, w. of Rich Langford, esq.; Margaret Warte, sp.; Eleanor Yate, sp.

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Weston-on-Trent.—Some recusants; rectory approp. to Mr

Blade, a recusant 1604. Dorothy, w. of Samson Walker, gen.

Whittington.—Rich Chichester, gen.

Wolstanton.—Alban Draycott, gen., and Elen, h.w.

Wolverhampton.—Many popish, many recusants 1604. Wm Barnely, taylor ; . . . Smith, wid. ; Margaret Smith, sp. ; Eliz Wilkes, wid. (Bilston) ; Hum Hall, lab. (Hilton).

Yoxall.—Many popish recusants 1604.

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ROMAN CATHOLIC LANDOWNERS IN 1648

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Gertrude, Lady Aston (née Sadler, mother of Walter).

*Walter (second) Lord Aston (of Forfar, of Tixall, etc., husb. of Mary, dau. of Rich Weston, Earl of Portland).[3]

Walter Astley of Patshull (1594–1656, husb. of Grace, dau. of Francis Trentham of Rocester).

Thos Bamford of Brewood.

Francis Biddulph of Biddulph (husb. of Margaret, dau. of Geo Preston of Holker, Lanc.).

John Birch of Gorstock (Goscote, Bloxwich) (dead in June 1649, *Compounding*, 2080). (*See S. H. C.*, v, pt. ii, p. 43.)

John Birch of Harborne (dead in June 1649, *Compounding*, 2080).

Ralph Clayton of Maer.

[1] *Compounding*, pp. 89, 90.
[2] *S. H. C.*, vi, n.s., pt. ii, pp. 331, 332.
[3] Walter and two of his brothers are mentioned as Roman Catholics by Wrottesley.

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Francis Biddulph of Biddulph (bush. of Margaret, dau. of Geo Preston of Holker, Lanc.).

John Birch of Corstock (Gorscote, Bloxwich) (dead in June 1649, Compounding, 2080). (See S. H. C., v, pt. ii, p. 43.)

John Birch of Harborne (dead in June 1649, Compounding, 2080).

Ralph Clayton of Mare.

[1] Compounding, pp. 89, 90.
[2] S. H. C., vi, n.s., pt. ii, pp. 371, 372.
[3] Walter and two of his brothers are mentioned as Roman Catholics by Wrottesley.

*John Coleman of Cannock. (*See* p. 50 and *S. H. C.*, v, pt. ii, p. 130.)

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Thomas How of Leigh.

Humphrey Iremonger (of Wolverhampton, husb. of Eliz, dau. of Thos Smith of Snelston, co. Derby).

George Jakeman (Jackman of Pershall, Eccleshall, husb. of Mary, dau. of Wm Adams of London).

John Johnson of Moseley (husb. of Margaret, dau. of Thos Beckett of Moseley).

Thos Leveson, governor of Dudley Castle (of Wolverhampton, ob. Nov. 1651, husb. of Frances, dau. of Sir Wm Paulet).

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Edward Penson of Chillington.

Wm Perrie of Bilston. (*See* Lawley's *History of Bilston*, pp. 39, 151.)

Lady Anne Pershall, wid. (probably the relict of Sir John Pershall of Horseley and dau. of Ralph Sheldon of Beoley, co. Worc.).

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Anne Trickett of Pershall, wid. (relict of Henry.)

Thos Underhill of Bushbury (jun., husb. of Frances, dau. of Thos Burne of Wheaton Aston).

*George Walker of Weston-on-Trent, ob. 1662, husb. of Dorothy, dau. of Geo Shallcross of co. Derby. (*See* p. 312.)

Ignatius Weedon of Longdon Hall.

John Wells of Whorcross (Hoarcross, ob. 1648, husb. of Frances, dau. of Thos Fitton of Siddenton, Ches.).

*Sir Rich Weston (of Rugeley), one of the barons of the Exchequer (ob. Mar 1657–8, husb. of Anne, dau. of Rich Barbour of Hilderstone).

Alice Whitgreave of Moseley (wid., dau. of Hen Pitt of Bushbury and mother of Thomas).

(Thomas Whitgreave of Moseley, c. 1625–1702. Mentioned by *Wrottesley*, not in Thorley's list.)

APPENDIX IV

CLERICAL INVENTORIES

Specimen inventories of the goods of clergymen, taken from the wills at Lichfield. The sums of money named after the goods is that at which they were valued by the appraisers. All the inventories are complete except the last one. *See p.* lxii.

Thos Rawlin, vicar of Alton. 1 Jan. 1610–1.

The (utensils of) pewter and brass, 1*l.* 2*s.* 0*d.*; bedsteads and bedding, 2*l.* 10*s.* 0*d.*; 4 coffers, 10*s.*; 1 table, 1 cupboard, a dishboard and all wooden ware in the house, 10*s.*; painted clothes, 1*s.* 4*d.*; iron ware, 4*s.*; his apparel, 2*l.*; 3 kine and 1 calf, 7*l.*; hay, 1*l.*; 10 hens, 1*s.*; total, 14*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.*

John Tunstall, curate of Whitmore chapel. 11 June 1597.

Furniture to a bed, 13*s.* 4*d.*; his apparel, 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; his books, 19*s.*; 6 ewe hogs, 1*l.*; 1 lamb or hogget, 2*s.* 6*d.*; total, 4*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.* Tunstall owed to 6 different people various sums of money amounting in all to 3*l.* 3*s.* 0*d.*

Roger Fynney, incumbent of Caldon. 29 Ap. 1600.

8 oxen and steers, 20*l.*; 7 kine, 13*l.*; 3 two year old beasts, 4*l.*; 5 calfes, 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; 4 mares and 2 colts, 8*l.*; 40 sheep, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; 1 old mare and 2 colts, 3*l.*; 4 oxen, 11*l.*; 3 kine, 6*l.*; 1 heffer? calf, 6*s.* 8*d.*; 2 swine, 13*s.* 4*d.*; all implements of husbandry whatsoever, 2*l.*; corn and hay, 3*l.*; furniture to his horse, 10*s.*; pewter and brass, 3*l.*; household stuff, bedding and napery ware, 3*l.*; wooden and iron ware, 1*l.*; (in) the larder, 13*s.* 4*d.*; meal and malt, 2*l.*; his apparel, 3*l.*; total after adjusting certain sums of money due to and from him, 89*l.*

Nicholas Steademan, rector of Kingsley. 17 Jan. 1606–7.

Corn and hay, 5*l.*; 1 wain, 1 plow with yokes, "temes" (i.e., ox chains), axes, hatchets and all other implements of husbandry ware, 10*s.*; 1 cutting of timber, 3*s.* 4*d.*; all the poultry, 5*s.*; 2 live swine, 13*s.* 4*d.*; 6 flitchs of bacon, 1*l.*; bedsteads, 13*s.* 4*d.*; 2 feather beds with all the coverlids,

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The (utensils of) pewter and brass, 1l. 2s. 0d.; bedsteads and bedding, 2l. 10s. 0d.; 4 coffers, 10s.; 1 table, 1 cupboard, a dishboard and all wooden ware in the house, 10s.; painted clothes, 1s. 4d.; iron ware, 4s.; his apparel, 2l.; 3 kine and 1 calf, 7l.; hay, 1l.; 10 bees, 1s.; total, 14l. 18s. 4d.

John Tunstall, curate of Whitmore chapel. 11 June 1597.

Furniture to a bed, 13s. 4d.; his apparel, 1l. 6s. 8d.; his books, 10s.; 6 ewe hogs, 1l.; 1 lamb or hogget, 2s. 6d.; total, 4l. 1s. 6d. Tunstall owed to 6 different people various sums of money amounting in all to 3l. 3s. 0d.

Roger Fynney, incumbent of Caldon. 29 Ap. 1600.

8 oxen and steers, 20l.; 7 kine, 14l.; 3 two year old beasts, 4l.; 5 calves, 3l. 6s. 8d.; 4 mares and 2 colts, 8l.; 40 sheep, 6l. 13s. 4d.; 1 old mare and 2 colts, 3l.; 4 oxen, 11l.; 3 kine, 6l.; 1 heifer 1 calf, 6s. 8d.; 2 swine, 13s. 4d.; all implements of husbandry whatsoever, 2l.; corn and hay, 3l.; furniture to his horse, 10s.; pewter and brass, 3l.; household stuff, bedding and napery ware, 3l.; wooden and iron ware, 1l.; (in) the larder, 13s. 4d.; meal and malt, 2l.; his apparel, 3l.; total after adjusting certain sums of money due to and from him, 89l.

Nicholas Strademan, rector of Kingsley. 17 Jan. 1605-7.

Corn and hay, 3l.; 1 wain, 1 plow with yokes, "temes" (i.e., ox chains), axes, hatchets and all other implements of husbandry ware, 10s.; 1 cutting of timber, 3s. 4d.; all the poultry, 5s.; 2 live swine, 13s. 4d.; 6 flitches of bacon, 1l.; bedsteads, 13s. 4d.; 2 feather beds with all the coverlids,

blankets, sheets, and all the other bedding and napery ware, 3*l.*; brass and pewter, 3*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*; all the arks, coffers and chests, 13*s.* 4*d.*; all the boards, forms, trestles and all other implements of wooden ware, 13*s.* 4*d.*; "bantes" (benches ?), looms, barrels, vats, "turnells" (spinningwheels ?), "compes" and all other implements of wooden ware, 8*s.* 6*d.*; 2 grates, 1 pair of tongs, a fire funnel pot, hooks and all other iron ware, 5*s.*; all the painted clothes, 12*d.*; cushions, "sekes" (sacks ?), and window sheets, 3*s.*; his apparel and books, 3*l.*; total, 19*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.*

Edward Kynaston, vicar of Rushall. 14 Feb. 1598–9.

One mare, 4*l.*; 1 three year old filly, 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; 1 cow, 2*l.*; 1 pig, 3*s.* 4*d.*; 18 sheep at 4*s.*, 3*l.* 12*s.* 0*d.*; 4 sheep at 3*s.*, 12*s.*; corn, 1*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.*; hay, 1*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.*; 1 saddle and furniture, 3*s.*; 1 pack saddle, 1*s.* 4*d.*; 1 horse lock and 1 pair of fetters, 1*s.*; 1 pitch fork and iron mark, 1*s.*; 1 "troule" (truck ?), 4*s.*; household stuff, 2*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*; books, 5*l.*; his apparel, 7*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.*; various sums of money due to him, 55*l.*; total, 84*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.*

Thos Sale, rector of Eckington, Derbs., 3 Dec. 1614. (*Not complete.*)

6 oxen, 24*l.*; 1 old horse and 1 mare, 3*l.* 10*s.*; 1 gelding, 5*l.*; 8 kine and 1 bull, 17*l.*; 4 steers, 5*l.*; 4 little heiffers and 1 bull calf, 5*l.*; 7 young calves, 4*l.*; 30 old sheep and 27 young sheep, 10*l.*; 6 acres of sown corn, 4*l.*; 3 bays of hay, 8*l.*; 14 doz. of table napkins, 4*l.*; 7 linen towels and 2 diaper towels, 10*s.*; 18 hemp towels, 18*s.*; 13 linen pillow "beres" (cases), 1*l.*; 7 large linen table cloths and 6 cubboard cloths, 1*l.* 5*s.*; 1 trundle bed, 1 feather bed, 2 bolsters, 1 matress, and 1 press, 10*s.*; 5 tapestry counterpoints (counterpanes), 10*l.*; 1 silk quilt, 15*s.*; 1 pair of "Daille" serge curtains, 1*l.*; 1 trundle bed in the parlour, 3*s.*; 30 pair of coarse sheets, 3*l.*; 10 pairs great and small, 10*l.*; 11 candlesticks, 9 of brass, 2 of pewter, 10*s.*; 1 brass morter and pestle, 10*s.*; 21 silver spoons, 10*l.*; 2 gilt salts with covers, 5*l.*; 1 little salt without cover, 16*s.*; 1 gilt cup, 2*l.*; 2 silver bowls, 3*l.*; 6 stone jugs garnished with silver and partly gilt, 3*l.*; etc.; total, 345*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.*

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One mare, 4*l.*; 1 three year old filly, 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; 1 cow, 2*l.*; 1 pig, 3*s.* 4*d.*; 18 sheep at 4*s.*, 3*l.*; 4 sheep at 3*s.*, 12*s.*; corn, 1*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.*; hay, 1*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.*; 1 saddle and furniture, 3*s.*; 1 pack saddle, 1*s.* 4*d.*; 1 horse lock and 1 pair of fetters, 1*s.*; 1 pitch fork and iron mark, 1*s.*; 1 "trunle" (truck ?), 4*s.*; household stuff, 2*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*; books, 5*l.*; his apparel, 2*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.*; various sums of money due to him, 35*l.*; total, 84*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.*

Thos Sale, rector of Eckington, Derbs., 3 Dec. 1601. (Not complete.)

6 oxen, 24*l.*; 1 old horse and 1 mare, 3*l.* 10*s.*; 1 gelding, 5*l.*; 8 kine and 1 bull, 17*l.*; 4 steers, 5*l.*; 4 little bullers and 1 bull calf, 5*l.*; 7 young calves, 4*l.*; 30 old sheep and 27 young sheep, 10*l.*; 6 acres of sown corn, 4*l.*; 3 hays of hay, 8*l.*; 14 doz. of table napkins, 4*l.*; 7 linen towels and 2 diaper towels, 10*s.*; 18 hemp towels, 18*s.*; 13 linen pillow "beres" (cases), 1*l.*; 7 large linen table cloths and 6 cubboard cloths, 1*l.* 5*s.*; 1 trundle bed, 1 feather bed, 2 bolsters, 1 mattress and 1 press, 10*s.*; 5 tapestry counterpoints (counterpanes), 10*l.*; 1 silk quilt, 15*s.*; 1 pair of "Daille" serge curtains, 1*l.*; 1 trundle bed in the parlour, 5*s.*; 30 pair of coarse sheets, 3*l.*; 10 pairs great and small, 10*l.*; 11 candlesticks, 6 of brass, 2 of pewter, 10*s.*; 1 brass morter and pestle, 10*s.*; 21 silver spoons, 10*l.*; 2 gilt salts with covers, 5*l.*; 1 little salt without cover, 16*s.*; 1 gilt cup, 2*l.*; a silver bowls, 3*l.*; 6 stone jugs garnished with silver and partly gilt, 3*l.*; etc.; total, 345*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.*

APPENDIX V

INTERREGNUM ADMISSION ORDER

Charnes Vicarage.

"Know all men by these presents That the 10th day of November in the year 1657 There was exhibited to the Commissioners for approbation of Public Preachers A Presentation of Thomas Bowyer, Clerke to the Vicarage of Charnes in the County of Stafford Made to him by Katherine Young, widow, the Patroness thereof Together with a testimony in the behalfe of the said Thomas Bowyer, of his holy and good Conversation Upon perusall and due consideration of the premisses and finding him to be a person qualified as in and by the Ordinance for such approbation is required The Commissioners above mentioned have adjudged and approved the said Thomas Bowyer to be a fit person to preach the Gospel, and have graunted him admission and doe admitt the said Thomas Bowyer to the Vicarage of Charnes aforesaid to be full and perfect possessor and Incumbent thereof And doe hereby signify to all persons concerned therein that he is hereby intituled to the profitts and perquisitts and all Rights and dues incident and belonging to the said Vicarage as fully and effectually as if he had been instituted and inducted according to any such Laws and Customes as have in this Case formerly been made had or used in this Realme.

In witness whereof they have caused the common seal to be hereunto affixed and the same to be attested by the hand of the Register by his Highness in that behalf appointed. Dated at Whitehall the 12th day of February, 1657.

Jo: Hue? Regr."

Note.—Only about one-third of the red wax seal now remains. It was about two inches in diameter, in the centre a plain S. George's cross, with an ornamented border. On the circumference the only words now left are "approbation of." Probably the full legend was Commissioners for approbation of public preachers.

APPENDIX VI

AUTHORITIES

(1) *The episcopal registers of the See of Lichfield.*

These contain particulars of the inductions or institutions to nearly all the rectories within the diocese and to some vicarages. The registers are missing for nearly all the years between 1578 and 1618, 1631 and 1662, 1670 and 1692.

(2) *The Chapter Act Books at Lichfield.* (*Act Book.*)

These are described in *S. H. C.*, vi, pt. ii, pp. 86–95. They record a few presentations to the " peculiars " of the dean and chapter.

(3) *The certificates of the induction of clerks to livings made by the bishop to the barons of the exchequer from* 1559. (*Exchequer, First Fruits and Tenths Department, Bishops' Certificates.*)

(4) *The Composition Books.* (*Exchequer, First Fruits and Tenths.*)

These give the date when the composition for the first fruits was paid by incumbents after their presentation to a living. They are not referred to in the present work unless (1) it was paid before institution, or (2) there is no other record of the appointment. In these cases the letters ff. follow the date.

(5) *Institution Books.* (*Exchequer, First Fruits and Tenths Department.*)

These are abstracts and contain a few Staffordshire institutions between 1597 and 1650 that are not recorded elsewhere.

(6) *Parish Registers.*

The writer has consulted all the printed registers, most of those which are still unprinted, many transcripts of them at Lichfield, and extracts from them at the William Salt Library. They are sometimes useful for fixing dates, but do not contain much information about the incumbents.

(7) *Crown presentations to benefices.*

These are entered on the Patent Rolls, which are not yet calendared, so those mentioned in this work are taken from the diocesan register or in the reign of Elizabeth from the Lansdowne MS. 443 in the British Museum, in the reign of Charles I from the 43rd and 48th reports of the Deputy Keeper of the Records, and in the reign of Charles II from the 46th report of the same.

(8) *Returns of* 1563. (*At the British Museum, Harl. MS.* 594, pp. 172, 155.)

These are two certificates of the state and regiment of the diocese of Coventry and Lichfield. The first is dated 27 July 1563; the second is undated. Both appear to be contemporary copies of returns made by Bishop Bentham in or about this year, although there are some slight variations and the undated return is far fuller and more complete than the dated return. Almost all[1] the parishes and parochial districts in the archdeaconry and county of Stafford are given in the second of these returns and are arranged as follows: (1) The deanery of Stone and Newcastle, (x) The parochial churches which have annexed to them chapels of ease with cure, (y) The churches and chapels with cure but without institution, (z) The parish churches, which have not any chapels of ease annexed to them. (2) The Lapley deanery, (x), (y) and (z) as before. (3) The Tamworth and Tutbury deanery, (x), (y) and (z) as before. (4) The Alton and Leek deanery, (x), (y) and (z) as before. (5) The peculiars[2] of the dean of Lichfield, the dean and chapter, the prebends of Alrewas, Hansacre, Freeford, Whittington and Berkswich, Prees, Eccleshall, Weeford, Longdon, Colwich, Offley, and the college of Wolverhampton. The number of households in each place is also given.

(9) *Clergy Lists.*

More or less complete lists of the clergy of Staffordshire are given in the following returns, which are referred to by the

[1] The following districts are omitted from this return: Bilston chapel, Calton, Codsall, Croxden, Haselour, Maer, Okeover, Sheen, Statfold, Tamhorn, Tettenhall, Tipton and Willenhall chapel.

[2] These peculiars were parochial churches with cure, which were exempt from the jurisdiction of the bishop and subject to that of the dean, prebend, chapter or college.

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These are two certificates of the state and regiment of the dioceses of Coventry and Lichfield. The first is dated 27 July 1563; the second is undated. Both appear to be contemporary copies of returns made by Bishop Bentham in or about this year, although there are some slight variations and the undated return is far fuller and more complete than the dated return. Almost all[1] the parishes and parochial districts in the archdeaconry and county of Stafford are given in the second of these returns and are arranged as follows: (1) The deanery of Stone and Newcastle, (α) The parochial churches which have annexed to them chapels of ease with cure, (β) The churches and chapels with cure but without institution, (γ) The parish churches, which have not any chapels of ease annexed to them. (2) The Lapley deanery, (α), (β) and (γ) as before. (3) The Tamworth and Tutbury deanery, (α), (β) and (γ) as before. (4) The Alton and Leek deanery, (α), (β) and (γ) as before. (5) The peculiars[2] of the dean of Lichfield, the dean and chapter, the prebends of Alrewas, Harnacre, Freeford, Whittington and Berkswich, Prees, Ecclesfall, Weeford, Longdon, Colwich, Offley, and the college of Wolverhampton. The number of households in each place is also given.

(θ) Clergy Lists.

More or less complete lists of the clergy of Staffordshire are given in the following returns, which are referred to by the

[1] The following districts are omitted from this return: Bilston chapel, Caton, Codsall, Croxden, Hassolver, Mere, Oldcover, Shrea, Stafford, Tamhorn, Tettenhall, Tipton and Willenhall chapel.

[2] These peculiars were parochial churches with cure, which were exempt from the jurisdiction of the bishop and subject to that of the dean, prebend, chapter or college.

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This is dated 25 Hen. VIII (*i.e.*, 22 Ap. 1533—21 Ap. 1534) and contains a list of all the clergy liable to taxation within the archdeaconry of Stafford, including those of the collegiate churches, the cathedral, the peculiars and the chantries. It is far more complete and accurate than the return of 1535, as printed.[1]

Return of 1535. (*The Valor Ecclesiasticus of* 26 Hen. VIII (1534–4), *printed by the Commissioners of Public Records*, 1810 *et seq.*)

This is a survey of all ecclesiastical property. There are several mistakes in the names as printed.

Return of 1548. *See* p. 402, No. 14.

Return of 1563. *See* p. 397.

There is no clergy list in this return.

Return of 1593. (*At Lambeth Palace, Lamb. MS.* 901.)

A return of the clergy in the archdeaconry of Stafford, compiled about 1593. It is undated, but a careful examination shows that it must have been made after 4 Feb. 1592–3 (*see* Enville) and before 12 Ap. 1594 (*see* Curborough). The manuscript is in tabular form and is arranged in seven separate columns.

Column I gives the name of the benefice.

Column II gives the name of the incumbent.

Column III shows his *gradus*—e.g., M.A., scholaris oxoniensis, scholaris ruralis, etc. This last term probably means that the incumbent in question had been educated at a local grammar school, and it is certain that no such incumbent had a university degree.

Column IV is headed *vita*. In this column all the clergy are

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The majority of the assistant curates, chantry priests and incumbents of chapels of ease paid 5*s.* 4*d.*; a few paid 6*s.* 2½*d.*, and rather more paid 4*s.* 5½*d.*

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described as "vitæ et conversationis honeste," except those who did not appear for examination, and two of bad morals at S. Chad's, Stafford, and Penkridge.

Column V is headed *ordo*. This gives the name of the bishop who ordained the incumbent priest, sometimes the date, and occasionally states that he did not exhibit his letters of orders.

Column VI is headed *institutio*. This usually gives the name of the bishop who instituted the incumbent to his benefice, and sometimes the date.

Column VII shows the erudition of the incumbent by describing him as doctus et predicator publicus, mediocriter doctus, aliqualiter (*sic*) doctus, indoctus, omnino indoctus, or in sacris litteris bene instructus, versatus, exercitatus, eruditus or incumbens (*sic*). Some are said to instruct their flock in a praiseworthy manner—e.g., gregem suum laudabiliter instruens, etc.

There are altogether 141 Staffordshire parochial clergy mentioned in this return.[1] Of these 132 were incumbents of churches or chapels and 10 were assistants to such incumbents. Six of these incumbents held 2 livings, but 2 of these livings were outside Staffordshire. Unfortunately only 110 of these clergy appeared for examination, 30 did not appear and no particulars of them are entered in this return, 1 is uncertain.

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[3] The Stafford chapels of Eason and Hopton and the Penkridge chapels of Coppenhall and Stretton.

Return of 1602.

A return of some of the diocesan clergy, preserved among the MSS. of the dean and chapter of Lichfield and lettered A.A. 11. (*S. H. C.*, vi, pt. ii, p. 55.) It has been printed by the Derbyshire Archæological Society in their sixth volume. Only 127 clergy and 101 parishes and 22 chapels of ease are named therein, as the deanery of Lapley and Trysull is missing. It states the name of the incumbent, whether he had or had not a university degree, whether he was or was not a licensed preacher and sometimes gives his salary.[1]

Return of 1604. (*At Dr Williams' Library, Gordon Square, W.C.*)

A survey of nearly all the Staffordshire benefices and their incumbents made by the puritans about February 1603–4. It usually states the value of the rectory, the name of the lay impropriator (if any) and the patron, the value of the vicarage or the curate's salary, the character and erudition of the incumbent, and there is frequently some note about the number of communicants and recusants in the parish. It was formerly thought to belong to the year 1586 and has sometimes been referred to under that date. It has been printed in *The English Historical Review*, vol. xxvi, no. 102 (April 1911). According to the classification adopted in this book, it names 126 parish churches and 38 chapels and mentions 156 clergy.

Return of 1620.

A list of 101 churches and 22 chapels in Staffordshire with the names of 114 incumbents of them and 12 curates. In 9 cases the name of the incumbent is not given. It was compiled between 6 June 1620 (*see* Checkley) and 23 Dec. 1620 (*see* Mayfield). It forms part of No. xvii of the books pertaining to the jurisdiction of the dean and chapter of Lichfield. (*S. H. C.*, vi, pt. ii, p. 97.) This book also contains a few presentations to benefices between 24 Mar. 1618–9 and 9 Mar. 1620–1.

Return of 1651–2.

A list of the names of nearly all the ministers and chaplains of all the parish churches and chapels in Staffordshire, which the sheriff was ordered on 28 Nov. 1651 by the keepers of the

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Return of 1631–2.

A list of the names of nearly all the ministers and chaplains of all the parish churches and chapels in Staffordshire, which the sheriff was ordered on 23 Nov. 1631 by the keepers of the

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Subsidy Rolls (*Exchequer K.R.*).

A chronological list of the subsidy rolls referred to in this work. Many of them contain the names of compounders for first fruits and one (20–573) is a bishop's certificate of institutions which has been misplaced.

(10) Clerical Subsidies.

Date	Bundle	Number
July 1553—July 1554	271	5
July 1557—July 1558	19	506
Dec. 1559	19	507
1560	19	508
12 May 1561	19	509
1 Dec. 1562	19	512
20 Jan. 1563–4	19	515
May 1564	19	514
24 May 1568	19	516
Oct. 1569	19	519
Dec. 1570—July 1572	19	520
10 Jan. 1571–2	19	523
12 Jan. 1572–3	19	524
Jan. 1572–3	19	522
Oct. 1574—July 1576	19	526
Nov. 1577—May 1578	19	527
28 Oct. 1579—July 1581	19	532
1580–1	19	535
Nov. 1582–3	19	539
20 Oct. 1585—June 1586	19	540
Oct. 1584—Sep. 1585	19	542
Oct. 1585—June 1586	19	543
16 Oct. 1586	19	533

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20 Jan. 1563–4 ..	19 ..	.. 515
May 1564 ..	19 ..	.. 514
24 May 1568 ..	19 ..	.. 516
Oct. 1569 ..	19 ..	.. 519
Dec. 1570—July 1572 ..	19 ..	.. 520
10 Jan. 1571–2 ..	19 ..	.. 523
12 Jan. 1572–3 ..	19 ..	.. 524
Jan. 1572–3 ..	19 ..	.. 522
Oct. 1574—July 1576 ..	19 ..	.. 526
Nov. 1577—May 1578 ..	19 ..	.. 527
26 Oct. 1579—July 1581 ..	19 ..	.. 532
1580–1 ..	19 ..	.. 535
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Oct. 1585—June 1586 ..	19 ..	.. 543
16 Oct. 1586 ..	19 ..	.. 523

Date	Bundle	Number
Jan. 1599–1600	20	559
26 May 1600	20	560
22 Jan. 1602–3	20	564
Aug. 1612—Nov. 1613 (bishop's certificate)	20	573
Jan. 1661–2	20	586a

(11) LAY SUBSIDIES.

c. 1665 (Hearth tax)	256	31
c. 1673 (Hearth tax)	179	328
Temp. Chas. II (Hearth tax) Lichfield	256	35

Chantry Certificates. (*Exch. Augmentation Dept. Certificates of Colleges and Chantries.*)

These are the returns of the commissioners appointed to enquire into the possessions of the dissolved colleges, hospitals, free chapels, chantries, etc., the objects for which they were founded, the date of the foundation, names of the founders and the yearly value thereof.

(12) Chan. Certif. 40, (*a*) dated 14 Feb. 1545–6. Commissioners: Richard, Bp of Cov. and Lich.; Phylip Draycot, kt.; Edward Lyttelton, esq.; Anthony Bowcher, gent.[1]

(13) Chan. Certif. 54, (*b*) dated 30 May 1548. Commissioners: John Talbott, kt.; Geo Blount, kt.; Reynold Corbett, gent.; Rich Forsett, gent.; Rich Cupper, gent.

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(15) Chan. Certif. 44, Part II, (*d*) dated 15 Mar. 1548–9. A report made by Rich Forsett, surveyor of the Crown lands in Staffordshire, to the right wor. Sir Walter Mildemay as to the clergy most meet to have cures in the collegiate churches, etc., in Staffordshire, also a few returns similar to those in Part I.

(16) Chan. Certif. 43, (*e*) dated June 1549. Commis-

[1] See p. 271 for a typical verbatim extract from this certificate.

Date	Bundle	Number
Jan. 1599–1600	20	559
26 May 1600	20	560
22 Jan. 1602–3	20	564
Aug. 1612—Nov. 1613 (bishop's certificate)	20	573
Jan. 1661–2	20	578a

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Chantry Returns.

These are returns similar to those in the chantry certificates of lands and possessions which had been concealed and not given in the earlier certificates.

(17) Return ordered on 7 Mar. 1551–2 and made 6 Sep. 1552 (Exch. Augmentation Dept., miscellaneous volume 123; on p. 189 is the order to make return, on p. 190 the return itself) (*h*). Commissioners: Ralph Mainwaring, Rich Woodward, Rich Birkenheade, esqs.; John Norbery, John Smyth the younger, and John Couper, gentlemen.

(18) Return made 1 Dec. 1552 by John Bray, kt. (Volume 125, p. 122) (*l*).

(19) Return made by the same, but undated (*ibid.* p. 123) (*m*).

(20) Return made 7 Ap. 1553 (*ibid.* p. 124) (*n*). Commissioners: John Harcourt, kt.; Bryane Fowler and Thos Gerrard, esqs.; John Smyth, John Cowper, Walter Cuney, Thos Rowley and Marke Wirley, gentlemen.[1]

(21) Rentals and Surveys (General Series), portfolio 28, no. 12, (*r*) dated 19 Sep. . . . Edw. VI. The year is indecipherable, but from internal evidence it was probably made about 1550. It is a return made to the Augmentation Office of the value of all the possessions of the dissolved colleges, hospitals, free chapels, chantries, guilds, obits, etc., in the county of Stafford. The total net annual value of this property appears to be 920*l.* 10*s.* 8¾*d.*, including three items of 18*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.* in all, which have been struck through with the pen, but excluding the possessions of Gnosall College, which is not mentioned in this return, though a few obits there are given.

Chantry Documents (Miscellaneous).

In addition to the information about the dissolved colleges, chantries, etc., which is given in the returns of 1533, 1535, the chantry certificates and the chantry returns already mentioned, there is a little supplementary information about them in the following documents, which are occasionally referred to.

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(22) Exch. Treasury of Receipt. Miscellaneous Books 258, 259.

(23) Exch. Augmentation Dept. Enrolment of Crown Leases, Rolls I and II, temp. Eliz. (*Leases.*)

(24) Exch. Augmentation Dept. Miscellaneous Books 113, 116, 195, 519, 522, etc.

(25) Exch. Augmentation Dept. Proceedings of the Court of Augmentation, Bundle 1.

(26) *Chantry Documents, Duchy of Lancaster.* (*Accounts.*)

Some or all of the chantries in the parishes of Hanbury, Rolleston, Stoke-on-Trent, Tatenhill, Tutbury, Uttoxeter, Wolstanton, and Yoxall lay within this duchy, and particulars of these are given in the Ministers' and Receivers' Accounts of this duchy.

Ministers' Accounts, Bundle 426, nos. 6795–6813, 1 Edw. VI to 10 Eliz.

Receivers' Accounts, Bundle 427, nos. 6826–6832, 6 Edw. VI to 1 Eliz.

Receivers' Accounts, Bundle 428, nos. 6833–6857, 1 Eliz. to 30 Eliz.

A few additional details are given in the Duchy of Lancaster Miscellaneous Book no. 135.

Pensions.

(*27a*) Accounts, etc., Exch. K.R., Bundle 75, no. 30 (*p*).

This contains a list of the pensions granted by Sir Walter Myldmay, kt., and Robt Keylwey, esq., to the incumbents and ministers of divers late colleges, free chapels, chantries, etc., on 22 June 1548. All these pensions were to be paid out of the revenues of the Court of Augmentation, and were granted for life or until the recipient was preferred to some post which was worth more than his annuity.

(*27b*) Exch. K.R. Ecclesiastical Document 135, 9–16 (*q*).

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(28) *Salaries of Curates.*

Ministers' Accounts, Eliz., nos. 2015 *et seq.* (*t*).

These accounts contain a record of the payment by the

(22) Exch. Treasury of Receipt. Miscellaneous Books 252, 259.

(23) Exch. Augmentation Dept. Enrolment of Crown Leases, Rolls I and II, temp. Eliz. (Leases.)

(24) Exch. Augmentation Dept. Miscellaneous Books 113, 110, 195, 319, 322, etc.

(25) Exch. Augmentation Dept. Proceedings of the Court of Augmentation, Bundle 1.

(26) Chancery Documents, Duchy of Lancaster. (Accounts.)

Some or all of the chantries in the parishes of Hanbury, Rollestone, Stoke-on-Trent, Tatenhill, Tutbury, Uttoxeter, Wolstanton, and Yoxall lay within this duchy, and particulars of these are given in the Ministers' and Receivers' Accounts of this duchy.

Ministers' Accounts, Bundle 426, nos. 6795–6813, 1 Edw. VI to 10 Eliz.

Receivers' Accounts, Bundle 427, nos. 6826–6832, 6 Edw. VI to 1 Eliz.

Receivers' Accounts, Bundle 428, nos. 6833–6852, 1 Eliz. to 30 Eliz.

A few additional details are given in the Duchy of Lancaster Miscellaneous Book no. 115.

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(27a) Accounts, etc., Exch. K.R., Bundle 75, no. 30 (4).

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5 June 1645 . .	11 Dec. 1645 . .	*Add.* 15669.
5 Feb. 1645–6 .	10 Sep. 1646 . .	*Add.* 15670.
1 Ap. 1646 . .	15 Ap. 1646 . .	*Bod.* 322.
20 May 1646 . .	30 Nov. 1646 . .	*Bod.* 323.
20 May 1646 . .	25 Sep. 1650 . .	*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 2, pt. i.
1 July 1646 . .	11 Feb. 1646–7 .	*S. P. Dom. Inter.* F. 1.
1 Oct. 1646 . .	23 Ap. 1647 . .	*Bod.* 324.
28 May 1647 . .	17 Sep. 1647 . .	*Add.* 15671.
5 Oct. 1647 . .	24 Feb. 1648–9 .	*Bod.* 325.
25 May 1649 . .	14 Dec. 1649 . .	*Bod.* 326.
Oct. 1649 . .		*Bod.* 330, now MS. Raw. D. 711.
16 Jan. 1649–50 .	29 Nov. 1650 . .	*Bod.* 327.
2 Oct. 1650 . .	31 Mar. 1652 . .	*Sion.*
7 Aug. 1650 . .	13 June 1651 . .	*Lamb.* 979.
3 Jan. 1650–1 .	3 Dec. 1652 . .	*Bod.* 328.
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26 Sep. 1651 . .	24 Mar. 1651–2 .	*Lamb.* 976.
14 Feb. 1650–1 .	16 Ap. 1652 . .	*Lamb.* 978.
16 Mar. 1652–3 .	3 Mar. 1653–4 .	*Lamb.* 986.
28 Dec. 1653 . .		*Lamb.* 1005.
17 Feb. 1653–4 .	14 Ap. 1654 . .	*Lamb.* 975.
3 Mar. 1653–4 .	11 Dec. 1655 . .	*Lamb.* 966.
24 Ap. 1654 . .	28 Feb. 1654–5 .	*Lamb.* 997.
25 Ap. 1654 . .	26 Sep. 1658 . .	*Lamb.* 968.
3 May 1654 . .	10 May 1654 . .	*Lamb.* 1017.
3 May 1654 . .	15 Aug. 1654 . .	*Lamb.* 973.
9 Oct. 1654 . .		*Lamb.* 1008.
9 Oct. 1654 . .	3 Oct. 1656 . .	*Lamb.* 972.

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17 Feb. 1653–4	14 Ap. 1654	Lamb. 975.
3 Mar. 1653–4	11 Dec. 1655	Lamb. 990.
24 Ap. 1654	28 Feb. 1654–5	Lamb. 997.
25 Ap. 1654	26 Sep. 1658	Lamb. 993.
3 May 1654	10 May 1654	Lamb. 1012.
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6 June 1656 . .	25 Feb. 1656–7 .	Lambeth Admissions.
9 Sep. 1656 . .	23 Oct. 1656 . .	*Lamb.* 974.
19 Dec. 1656 . .	19 Ap. 1659 . .	*Lamb.* 1004.
21 Feb. 1656–7 .		*Lamb.* 977.
25 Feb. 1656–7 .	12 Nov. 1657 . .	*Lamb.* 993.
13 May 1657 . .	24 Feb. 1657–8 .	*Lamb.* 998.
16 Dec. 1657 . .	19 Ap. 1659 . .	*Lamb.* 995.
after	Mar. 1657–8 . .	*Lamb.* 981.
20 May 1658 . .	23 Mar. 1658–9 .	*Lamb.* 983.
9 June 1658 . .	4 May 1659 . .	*Lamb.* 999.
22 Dec. 1658 . .		*Lamb.* 980.
12 Mar. 1658–9 .	23 Mar. 1658–9 .	*Lamb.* 946.
25 Ap. 1659 . .		*Lamb.* 947.
28 Oct. 1659 . .	2 Mar. 1659–60 .	*Lamb.* 987.
after	1658–9	*Lamb.* 994.

Collection of King's Pamphlets in the British Museum.

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(32) Vol. 377, No. 16. A testimony of the ministers in the county of Stafford to the truth of Jesus Christ and to the Solemn League and Covenant, as also against the errors, heresies and the blasphemies of these times and the toleration of them.

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	after Mar. 1657–8	Lamb. 951.
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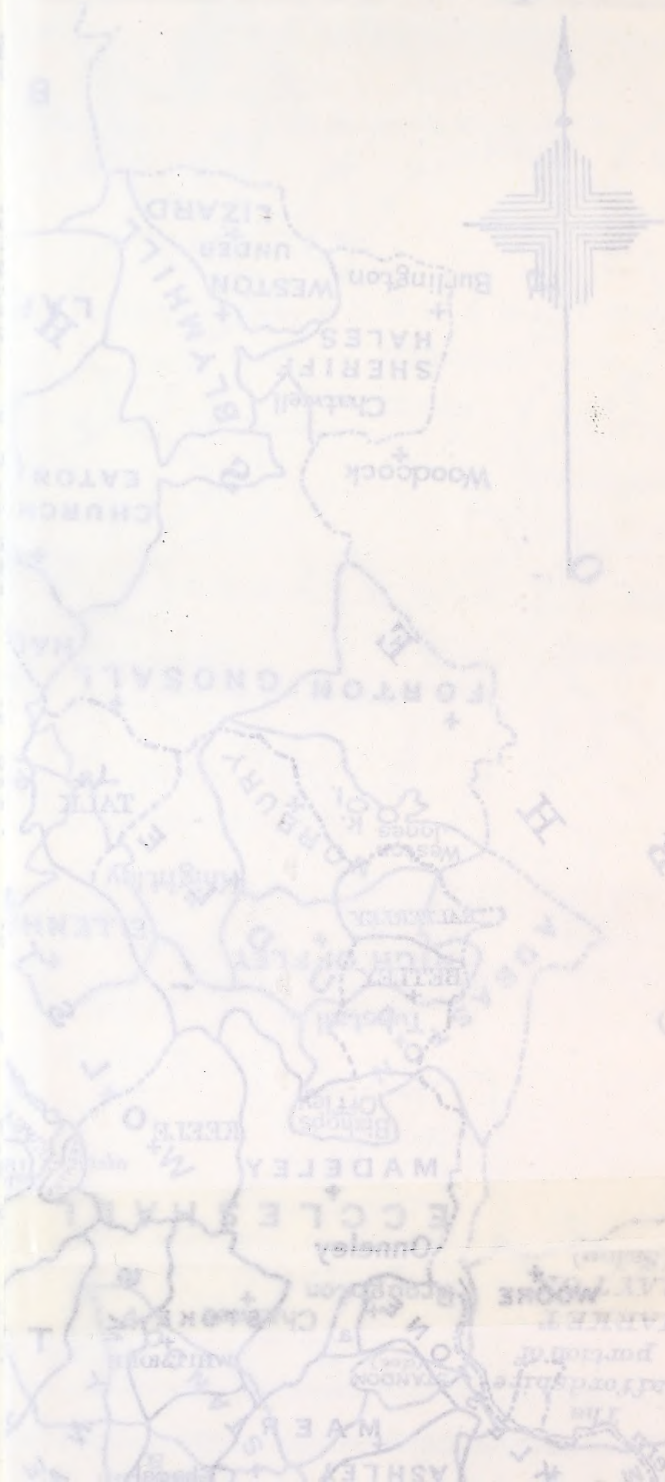

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